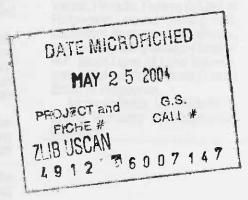
# Obituaries from "The Kern Valley Sun" Newspaper

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Helyn Hall

Graveside services were held on Wednesday, December 27, 1995, at 1:30 p.m. at Kern River Valley Cemetery for Helyn Hall. She was born on January 19, 1909 in Brooklyn, New York, and passed away on December 21, 1995, in Mt. Mesa. Officiating was Pastor John Carpenter of the Kernville United Methodist Church.

Mrs. Hall has been a resident of the Kern River Valley for 25 years and a member of the Kernville United Methodist Church and was a member of the Golf Club and she

loved to paint.

She was a perfect mother and wife, and will be missed. She is survived by her husband of 60 years, Fred and son Steven Hall of Huntington Beach, California; daughter Penny Witt of Camarillo, California; four grandchildren, Richard, John, Esther and Steve; and one great-grandchild McKenzie Lane; also sisters Ester Denniss of Carson City, Nevada and Elenor Evans of Bellevue, Washington.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

#### **James David Stith**

Graveside services were held Thursday, December 28, 1995, at 1:00 p.m. at Kern River Valley Cemetery for James David Stith of Lake Isabella. Officiating was Pastor Floyd Castillo of the Highland Chapel United Methodist Church.

Mr. Stith was born February 28, 1917 in Cub Run, Kentucky, and passed away on December 21, 1995, in Lake Isabella. He worked for U.S. Steel for 30 years before retiring.

He was a member of the Masonic Lodge in Norwalk for many years. He loved to fish and hunt

and garden.

Mr. Stith is survived by his wife of 58 years, Nettie; two grandsons, Stephen Stith of Rialto, California, and Joseph Stith of So. Jorden, Utah; granddaughter Joleen Stith of Inyokern, California; daughterin-love, Francy Bull; and two greatgrandchildren Britney and Cameron Stith.

Arrangements by Valley Mortu-

ary.

#### **Delbert James Lane**

Visitation was held for Delbert James Lane, age 78, of Ridgecrest, California, on Tuesday, December 26, 1995, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at Holland & Lyons Mortuary in Ridgecrest. Graveside services were held Wednesday, December 27, 1995, at 1:00 p.m. at Searles Valley Cemetery in Trona, California, with Trona Elks Lodge #1975 officiating.

Delbert was born July 8, 1917, in Petrolia, Texas, and passed away of natural causes on December 22, 1995, at Beverly Manor Convalescent Hospital in Ridgecrest. He worked as a Journeyman Painter at American Potash & Chemical in

Trona

He was preceded in death by his parents, Viola and Rufus Lane: sister, Gladys Hubbard; wife Pearl Lane; and son, Delbert W. Lane. Survivors include his son and daughter-in-law, Ronald D. and Sandie D. Lane, of Ridgecrest; daughter and son-in-law, Judy J. and Bobby (Tex) Whitson, of Las Vegas, Nevada; granddaughters Jamie D. Lane, of Ridgecrest; Sirell D. Hurlocker, also of Ridgecrest; Roni D. Lane, of Los Angeles, California; Trudy L. Smith, of Las Vegas, Nevada; Tammy E. Lind, of Ridgecrest; seven great-granddaughters, three great-grandsons, one great-great-grandson; brother R.F. (Bob) Lane, of Lake Isabella; and very close friend, Sinda (Trudy) Smith of Ridgecrest.

Arrangements by Holland & Lyons Mortuary of Ridgecrest,

California.

#### Glen E. "Smitty" Smith

Graveside services was held 11:00 a.m., December 29, 1995, at Greenlawn Cemetery for Glen E. "Smitty" Smith who passed away on December 26, 1995, In Las

Vegas, Nevada.

Mr. Smith was born November 24, 1908 in Arvada, Colorado. He worked in the oil fields in Kern County and later as a Captain on a dredge in the Bay area. He retired from the Operating Engineers in 1974 and resided in Lake Isabella for 20 years. The last three years he lived in Las Vegas.

He was a long-time member of the Elks and the Eagles. He enjoyed fishing, golf and was an avid Harn operator in his retirement.

He was married to his wife, Ruby for 37 years until her death in 1972. Survivors are his daughters, Darlene Churchwell and her husband, Bill of Bakersfield and Marilyn Kroh and her husband, Donnie of Las Vegas. He leaves four grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. He is also survived by two sisters in Southern California.

**Albert Elza Wilkey** 

Albert passed away in Mt. Mesa, California, on January 4, 1996, at the age of 84. He was bom in Sullivan, Indiana, on June 14, 1911, where he attended school. He moved to Chicago, Illinois, in 1928. Albert worked at Marshall Field while going to school to become an electrician. He moved to Cincinatti, Ohio, in 1935 and worked at a milling machine company. Albert moved to South Dakota in 1945. In 1949, he moved to California, where he started to work for United States Steel Company in Maywood, California, until his retirement in 1974.

Mr. Wilkey met and married Florence Silvers in 1950 and lived in South Gate, California, until they moved to Lake Isabella in 1974. Albert and Florence bought a home here in Lake Isabella in 1966, and

spent many weekends and vacations here until their move.

Albert was very active in the Kern Valley CB'ers. He was also well known as the Honeydoer for all the widows in the area.

He is survived by his wife Florence Wilkey of Lake Isabella; daughter, Doris Meeker of Bodfish; step-daughter Barbara and her husband Art Robinson of Bodfish; step-daughter Donna and her husband Alvin Hamil of Goodwater, Oklahoma; seven grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren. Albert will be greatly missed by all his family and friends.

Services were entrusted to the care of the Bonewell family of the Lake Isabella Funeral Home, a Golden Rule Funeral Home.

Groover Marion Woody"

Services were held at the Kem Valley Bible Church in Lake Isabella, where Woody was a member, on Saturday, December 6, 1996, at 11:00 a.m. with Rev. Guy Rimstad, Pastor, officiating. He passed away on January 3, 1996, after a long fight with cancer.

Woody was born in Lakelund, Florida, on April 19, 1924. He received his schooling in Lakelund. After school he joined the Navy and served a four-year hitch after which he went to work for Union Oil Company, where he worked for 40

vears.

He met and married Shirley Marshal in 1947. They lived in Montebello, California, for a short time before moving to Pico Rivera where they raised their nine children. They then moved to Whittier and then to Ontario where they remained until they moved to Walker Basin in 1989.

Woody is survived by his wife Shirley Woodard and eight children: sons, Gregory of La Habra, California; Dennis of Big Bear, California; Jeffrey of Pico Rivera, California; Laurence of Walker Basin, California; and Steven of Alta Loma, California; daughters, Debra Dykes of San Luis Obispo, California; Kathleen Menosky of Edwards Air Force Base, California and Judith England. He will be missed by his family and friends.

Services were entrusted to the care of the Bonewell family of the Lake Isabella Funeral Home, a Golden Rule Funeral Home.

Ted W. Boring

Masonic services for Ted W. Boring, age 78, of Lake Isabella was held on January 4, 1996, at 11:00 a.m. in the Kernville Masonic Lodge with members of the Kern River Valley Lodge #872, F & AM officiating. Burial followed in the Kern River Valley Cemetery.

A 53-year county resident, Mr. Boring was bom January 3, 1917 in Newbridge, Oregon, and passed away in Bakersfield on December 28, 1995. He was the former owner-operator of the Kernvale Club in

Lake Isabella.

An active member of the Kern River Valley community, he was a member of the Kem River Valley Masonic Lodge #872, B.P.O.E. #2358 in Wofford Heights, the Eagles Aerie #3156, the Loyal Order of the Moose #498, the Shrine, Scottish Rite and the Bodfish Beamers.

Survivors include his wife, Gertrude Boring of Lake Isabella; 2 sons, Frank Boring of Trona, California, and Dean Boring of Redding, California; his daughter, Judy Riggs of Ridgecrest, California; a sister, Dorothy Wilbanks of Florida; 2 brothers, Robert Boring of Ione, California, and Olen Boring of Oregon; five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Visitation was at Valley Mortuary on Wednesday, January 3,

1996, from 10-5 p.m.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary, Lake Isabella.

Walter Jackson (Jack) Stuart II

Jack Stuart was born in Texas on December 8, 1920. He passed away in San Diego, California, on January 3, 1996, at the age of 75. Jack came to California in 1938 where he lived in the Los Angeles area until 1988, when he came to the Lake Isabella area.

Jack is survived by his wife Helen; son Walter Jackson Stuart III; daughter Shelley Beechler; granddaughter Kristina; sisters, Iva Mae Bunge, Juanita Jones and

Rachel Stuart Mills.

Services were held Tuesday, January 8, 1996, at 2:00 p.m. at the Kernville Masonic Lodge #827, with interment following at Kem River Valley Cemetery.

Jack was a Past Master of Palm Springs Masonic Lodge in 1964. Ellis Mills, Past Master of the

Redondo Beach Masonic Lodge will do the Masonic Service at local Lodge #827.

Services were entrusted to the care of the Bonewell family of the Lake Isabella Funeral Home, a Golden Rule Funeral Home.

## Wayne (Hoot) Phelan

Aug. 7, 1956 - Dec. 28, 1990 It's been 5 years now!

A million time I've missed you A million tears I've cried If love could have saved you You never would have died.

Things I feel more deeply are The hardest things to say, Dearest son, I've always loved you in a very special way.

I often sit and think of you And think of how you died, To think I couldn't say goodbye Before you closed your eyes.

No one can know my emptiness No one can see my weeping For all my tears from an aching heart Are shed while others are sleeping.

If I had a lifetime wish, my son Or a dream that would come true I'd pray to God with all my heart For one more day, my son, with you.

Love Mom, Dad, Mike, Jim, Sherry, Patty and Wayne Jr.

#### **James David Stith**

Graveside services were held Thursday, December 28, 1995, at 1:00 p.m. at Kern River Valley Cemetery for James David Stith of Lake Isabella. Officiating was Pastor Floyd Castillo of the Highland Chapel United Methodist Church.

Mr. Stith was born February 28, 1917 in Cub Run, Kentucky, and passed away on December 21, 1995, in Lake Isabella. He worked for U.S. Steel for 30 years before

retiring.

He was a member of the Masonic Lodge in Norwalk for many years. He loved to fish and hunt

and garden.

Mr. Stith is survived by his wife of 58 years, Nettie; sister, Esther Cox of Walnut Creek, California; also many nieces and nephews; two grandsons, Stephen Stith of Rialto, California, and Joseph Stith of So. Jorden, Utah; granddaughter Joleen Stith of Inyokem, California; daughter-in-love, Francy Bull; and two great-grandchildren Britney and Cameron Stith.

Arrangements by Valley Mortu-

ary.

#### Melda L. Costa

Funeral services for Melda Loretta Costa, age 91, of Wofford Heights was held on Monday, January 8, 1996, at 10:00 a.m. in the Valley Mortuary Chapel. Burial followed in the Kern River Valley Cemetery in Wofford Heights.

A 7-year valley resident, Mrs. Costa was born on August 16, 1904, in Stockton and passed away on December 29, 1995, in Ridgecrest. She lived in Stockton for many years and also in the Los Angeles area for 30 years where she worked as a legal secretary for the Flour

Corporation.

Her family meant a great deal to her and those that will miss her the most include her son and daughter-in-law, Jay and Betty Costa of Wofford Heights; her daughter and son-in-law, Patricla and Lloyd Dunharn, also of Wofford Heights; her grandchildren, Jadeen Costa, David Kelly, Robert Costa, Patricia Tipps and Debi Harnel, as well as her many great-grandchildren and great-great grandchildren.

Visitation was held on Sunday, January 7, 1996, from 1-5 p.m.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary, Lake Isabella.

#### **Allen Thomas Jones**

Funeral services were held Thursday, January 11, 1996, at 1:00 p.m. at Valley Mortuary Chapel for Allen Thomas Jones. Officiating was Pastor Deryl Lackey of Mt. View Southern Baptist Church.

Mr. Jones was born April 25, 1911 in Sales City, Georgia and passed away on January 6, 1996, in Mt. Mesa. He retired from McDonnell Douglas in 1974 after 25 years and has been a resident of the Kem River Valley for 21 years. He was an avid reader and loved to fish.

He is preceded in death by his wife Josephine. He is survived by his daughter, Marcilene Williams of Florida; his sisters Bemice Jones and Billy Jones Mangum, both of Georgia; Paul Anderer, son-in-law of Florida; Richard Czarnowski, nephew of New York; and numerous other family members; and dear friends Carol Kleeman and family.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary. **Jack Elroy Barlow** 

Private arrangements were made for Jack Elroy Barlow who passed away on January 8, 1996, in Mt. Mesa, California. Mr. Barlow was born on December 15, 1916, in Winona, Minnesota, and has lived in the Kern River Valley for 19 years. He retired from the Southern Pacific Railroad after 42 years. He loved to fish and loved music and played the drums and at one time had his own band. He was a devoted fan of U.S.C.

He is survived by his wife of 24 years, Viola Barlow; his daughters Diane Sallenger of La Habra, California; and Susanne Sparrow of La Jolla, California; son Garry Mogster of San Clemente, California; sister and brother-in-law Maxine and Louis Nowell of Kernville; and nine grand-children and three great-grandchildren.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

#### Emma Lela Hupka Miller

Emma Lela Hupka Miller, age 76, passed away on January 5, 1996, in Bakersfield, California. She was born in Roff, Oklahorna, on December 20, 1919. Em was a resident of China Lake from 1948 until 1974 when she and her late husband, Nick Hupka, moved to Lake Isabella.

She is survived by her present husband of eightyears, Melvin Miller; daughter Gina Hupka of Rockville, Utah; son and daughter-in-law, Paul and Linda Hupka of Port Orchard, Washington; four grandchildren, Jennifer, Merces, Nicholas, Travis and great-grandson Jesse. Also step-son and daughter-in-law, Dan and Sheita Miller; and children Danny, Nicole, and Tiffany of Ridgecrest; and step-daughter Carol Miller and children Tanya and Natasha, of Santa Clarita, California.

A master quilter, Em was an active member of two quilt clubs in the Kem Valley.

She will be remembered by those who knew her for her love and laughter and the enthusiastic way she lived her life.

Emma Lela, you were loved by all who knew you. Your sense of humor and smile brightened every room and heart you entered. We were privileged to share your life.

Robert Conrad Westphal

A memorial service was held Saturday, January 6, 1996, at 1:00 p.m. at the Lake Isabella Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses for Robert Conrad Westphal of Bodfish. Officiating was Mr. James Andie. Mr. Westphal was born April 11, 1915 in North Bergen, New Jersey and died December 28, 1995 at Mt. Mesa Hospital in Lake Isabella. He was 80 years old.

Mr. Westphal moved from Ridgecrestin 1969 after retiring from N.O.T.S. as an electrician. He is survived by his wife of over 60 years Florence of Bodfish; son and daughter-in-law Bob and Toshi Westphal of Newberry Park, California; grandson Mark and his wife Lorrie Westphal of New Jersey; greatgrandson Eric Westphal of New Jersey; granddaughter Karen Westphal of Newberry Park; sister Anita Casamento of New York.

Arrangements by Ridgecrest Mortuary.

#### Dorothy Eileen Kitchen

Visitation was held at Lake Isabella Funeral Home for Dorothy Kitchen, age 71, of Wofford Heights, on Thursday, January 11, 1996, from noon to 8:00 p.m.

Services were held at First Baptist Church of Kemville, California, on Friday, January 12, 1996, at 1:00 p.m. with Rev. Dick Lewis, Pastor officiating. Interment followed at the Kem River Valley Cemetery.

Dorothy was born to Jim and Nellie DeWitt on November 4, 1924, in Kellerville, Illinois. There were five children in their family. She met David Kitchen in 1941 and they were married in December of that year. In December of 1995, they celebrated their 54th anniversary. They had one son, Donald, in 1942. Together, they moved to California in 1953. In California, Dorothy worked in retail sales and aerospace assembly, working on installation of guidance system units.

She and David moved to the lake area in 1979. She was very active in her church, First Baptist of Kemville and in the V.F.W. Woman's Auxiliary. She also held the office of President of the Woman's V.F.W. in 1982.

Dorothy was a terrific wife, mother and grandmother and will be deeply missed by her family and friends.

Services were entrusted to the care of the Bonewell family of the Lake Isabella Funeral Home, a Golden Rule Funeral Home.

#### William (Bill) Eugene Dodd, Jr.

Services were held at the Highland Chapel at 12:30 p.m. on Monday, January 22, 1996, for Bill Dodd, Jr, age 75. A second service was held at Forest Lawn in Hollywood Hills on Tuesday, January 23, 1996, with Rev. Floyd Castillo of the Highland Chapel Church officiating.

Bill was born to William and Margaret Dodd, Sr. in Omaha, Nebraska, on March 20, 1920. He attended school in Omaha, as well as meeting and marrying Evelyn Marie Delafield. Together

they had 54 wonderful years of =

marriage.

They left Omaha and moved to Westchester, California, in 1960 and remained there until 1977. Then they moved to Van Nuys, Califomia, in 1978 and remained there until 1984 at which time they moved to Mt. Mesa where he lived until his death early Thursday morning

on January 18, 1996.

Bill loved to hunt as well as maintain his hobby of model railroads and his woodworking. He was a member of the Historical Society. He and his wife were members of the Rovers and traveled 70,000 miles with them. He was a very active member of the Highland Chapel Methodist Church. From 1986 to 1995 he had a yearly camping trip, during the Easter School break, with his four grandchildren. Bill looked forward each year to this trip.

He is survived by his wife Evelyn of Mt. Mesa; son William Eugene Dodd III and wife Noreen of Newbury Park, California; daughter Tammy Cormeir of Newbury Park, California; four grandchildren, William Dodd IV and Thomas Dodd and Tina and Laura Cormeir, all of Newbury Park, California. Bill was be greatly missed by all his family

and friends.

Memorial donations may be made to the Kem Valley Hospital Foundation, P.O. Box 1628, Lake

Isabella, California 93240 or the Highland Chapel Methodist Church Building Fund, P.O. Box 5301, Lake Isabella, California 93240.

Services were entrusted to the care of the Bonewell family of the Lake Isabella Funeral Home, a Golden Rule Funeral Home.

#### Virginia Manoush

Services were held at the Kernville Methodist Church for Virginia Manoush, age 84, on January 19, 1996, with Rev. John Carpenter, Pastor, officiating.

Virginia was bom in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on March 20, 1911, to Minas and Orzmin Zulalian who came to America from Armenia. Virginia was a member of the Armenian Apostolic Church. She received her schooling in Philadelphia where she met and married her husband John Manoush on June 25, 1939. They wer members of St. James Apostolic Church in Watertown. They then moved to Cambridge, Massachusetts, where she and her husband operated a tailoring and cleaning business.

In 1978, they moved to St.

Augustine, Florida, and remained there until her husband's death. She then came to Kemville in 1982. Virginia loved to walk and enjoyed the out-of-doors. she also had a hobby of knitting, but her most favorite hobby was

Bingo. Virginia is survived by her son John Manoush, and his wife Kim, of Sebago Lake, Maine; her daughter Eileen England and husband Jerry, of Kernville; one granddaughter April England of Kernville; and a host of relatives, including her sister Elizabeth of Philadélphia. Virginia will be missed by all who knew her.

Services were entrusted to the care of the Bonewell family of the Lake Isabella Funeral Home, a Golden Rule Funeral Home.

Clar "Skeets" **Byers** 

Memorial services are planned for Clar "Skeets" Byers, age 92, of Porterville, California, to be held at a later date. Following cremation at Myers Funeral Service in Porterville, inumment

will be private.

Mr. Byers died January 14, 1996, in Porterville. He was born December 7, 1903, in Adell, Iowa. He was a resident of Porterville for four years. He retired after 25 years with the Los Angeles Fire Department and operated the Roads End Store above Kem-

ville for 14 years.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Mildred Byers, in 1992 and a son, Carl Byers in 1933. Survivors include his son Clar Byers, Jr. of Porterville, California; daughter Barbara Dillard of Medford, Oregon; brother Vic L. Byers, Jr. of Anaheim, California; brother Herbert Byers of Apple Valley, California; sister Cassie Cord of Danbury, Iowa; five grandchildren; eight greatgrandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

The family suggests memorials to be sent to the American Diabetes Association, Central Valley Chapter, 55 Shaw Ave., Suite 109, Clovis, California

93612.

## Ruth C. Warnock

Born February 17, 1907, Ruth C. Warnock passed away on December 12, 1995. She was preceded in death by her husband Virgil Warnock; two sisters Norren Hyten and Patricia Allen; also a grandson Wayne (Hoot) A. Phelan.

Ruth and Virgil had a shoe repair shop and canvas shop for many years in the valley.

She is survived by an only son Billy G. Warnockand wife Esther; grandsons James and Michael Warnock; granddaughter Sherry Walker; great-granddaughters Stacy and Stephanie Walker, and great-grandson Wayne Allen Phelan, Jr. She will be greatly missed by all.

## Laura Ella Morgan

Private services at the home, officiated by Pastor Jack Dilley, were held for Laura Morgan, age 84, who passed away on January 18, 1996. Laura passed away at her home after a long illness, with many of herfamily members at her bedside. Interment was held at Hillcrest Cemetery in Bakersfield.

Laura was born to Milton and Olive Parker in Marquette, Michigan on June 7, 1911. She received her schooling through high school in Marquette. she met and married her husband of 67 years, Bertram, in Green Bay, Wisconsin. They later moved to Racine, Wisconsin, where they had three of their six children. They then moved to Kenosa, Wisconsin, where their other three children were born. They came to California in 1950 and lived in Reseda until 1969 when they moved to Bodfish where they remained until her death last Thursday. Laura was a housewife and mother and loved to fish.

She is survived by her husband, Bertram; her five sons, Bertram, Jr. and wife Judy of Fontana, Califomia; Ralph Morgan of Missouri; Marvin Morgan and wife Dianne of Bakersfield; James Morgan and wife Pat of Grants Pass, Oregon; Michael Morgan and wife Nancy of Bodfish; and daughter Arvilla Stern of Lake Isabella; plus 29 grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren and one great-great grandchild. Her family and friends will miss her greatly.

Services were entrusted to the care of the Bonewell family of the Lake Isabella Funeral Home, a Golden Rule Funeral Home.

## Lawrence David Dodson

Graveside services were held for Lawrence Dodson, age 94, at the Kem River Valley Cemetery in Wofford Heights, California, on Wednesday, January 10, 1996, at 2:00 p.m. Rev. James Lee, Pastor of Valley Community Church, officiated.

Lawrence was born June 6, 1901, in Eliza, Illinois. He lived in Burbank prior to coming to Onyx

25 years ago.

He is survived by his wife Cora, of Onyx; four sons, Dean Dodson of Canyon Country, California; Ralph Dodson, Pacoima, California; Gene Dodson of Anchorage, Alaska; and Edward Graham of Oxnard, California; also three daughters, Dorothy Hines of Iowa; Shirley Hines of Florida; and Rose Lovejoy of Phoenix, Arizona; 21 grandchildren; 26 great-grandchildren; one great-grandchild.

Services were entrusted to the care of the Bonewell family of the Lake Isabella Funeral Home, a Golden Rule Funeral Home.

Loretta Lucille Wyloge

Private arrangments were made for Loretta Lucille Wyloge who passed away January 12, 1996, in Mt. Mesa, Califomia. Mrs. Wyloge was bom January 10, 1911, in South Bend, Indiana

ana.
She is survived by her husband Morris L. Wyloge of Lake Isabella; daughter Barbara Farnsworth of Wofford Heights; great-grandchildren Mollie Anne Winchester and Andrew Brian Winchester. You can rest easy now, Nana.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Franklin (Frank) Curtis Kennelty, Jr.

Private services were held for Franklin Kennelty, Jr., who passed away at the Kern Valley Hospital on January 24, 1996. Frank, as he was known, was born in Greensburg, Pennsylvania, to Franklin and Mary Kennelty, on April 2, 1916. Frank received his schooling in Greensburg, Pennsylvania, and then, on September 13, 1941, married Florence Bushfield in Cumberland, Maryland. They moved to the lake area in 1967.

Frank's hobby was charcoal sketching and he loved to fish. He had a favorite saying, "There are only two types of people in the world, the Irish and those who want to be Irish." He had a special love for his grandchildren.

He is survived by his wife of 54 years; one son Franklin Lane Kennelty and wife Tonia of Bakersfield; three sisters, Isabell Gallenbeck, Leda Arena, and Marilyn Sheetz, all of Phoenix, Arizona. Frank will be greatly missed by his family and friends.

Services were entrusted to the Lake Isabella Funeral Home, a Golden Rule Funeral Home.

#### Lewis (Lou) C. Coon

Services were held January 16, 1996, at the Eagles Lodge for Lewis C. Coon, age 66. Interment followed at the V.A. Memorial Cemetery.

Lou was born in Monroe, Michigan, on July 26, 1929. He retired from the Navy at the Long Beach Ship Yard.

He lived in Mt. Mesa for six years and belonged to the Moose, Eagles and the V.F.W. Lou liked to fish, shoot pool, play shuffleboard, and help people in every way he could. He would go out of his way to help people.

Barbara Haley was his fiance. They had a good six years together. She loved him very much. He had lots of friends in this valley, from one end to the other. She would like to thank all the people who came through to help her with the arrangements and for all the kindness and flowers.

#### Matilda Agnes Dunn Collins

Matilda Agnes Dunn Collins passed away on January 24, 1996, at the Skilled Nursing Center of the Kern Valley Hospital. She was 100 years old. Matilda was born on March 12, 1895 in Council Bluffs, lowa, to Stephen and Mathilda Dunn and married Harry Collins on December 31, 1941, while still in Council Bluffs.

Harry preceded Matilda in death in 1964. Matilda had resided in California for 50 years, the last 30 being in the Kern River Valley.

There will be a memorial mass on February 2, 1996, at 10:00 a.m. at St. Jude Catholic Church in Wofford Heights with Father Charles Casale officiating. Interment will follow at Kern River Valley Cemetery.

Matilda loved the outdoors. She would spend many hours in her garden, hoeing and trimming.

She is survived by four daughters, Bernice Loveall and Harriet Carstens, both of the Kem River Valley; Clara Neville, of Prineville, Oregon; Darlene Jacobson, of Sacramento, California; and two sons, Garland of Weldon; and Paul of Parker, Arizona. Another son, Harold preceded her in death in 1974. Also surviving are 24 grandchildren, 46 great-grandchildren and nine great-great-grandchildren. Matilda will be greatly missed by all friends and family.

Services were entrusted to the Lake Isabella Funeral Home a Golden Rule Funeral Home. Clarence Arthur Geringer

Clarence Arthur Geringer passed away on January 30, 1996, at Kern Valley Skilled Nursing Facility. He was born in Mystic, Iowa, on August 11, 1919, to Byron Geringer of Hannibal, Missouri, and Marie Robinson of Mystic, Iowa. Clarence retired from the Torrance Unified School District prior to moving to the Kern Valley in 1977.

Clarence is survived by his

wife, Betty, of 59 years. They had one daughter Nancy Bowen of San Jose, California; and two sons Dick Geringer and Bill Geringer, both of Vallejo, California. He is survived also by two sisters, Florine Mason of Long Beach, California; and Leona

Grossman of Dixon, Illinois; one brother, Byron Gerringer, of Hernet, California; five grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Services were entrusted to the care of the Bonewell family of Lake Isabella Funeral Home.

### Dalton Henry Lee Flood

Dalton Henry Lee Flood, infant, died Tuesday, December 5, 1995, at Simi Valley Hospital.

He is survived by his parents Michelle Beckstead and Gerald Flood; brother Cordy Beckstead of Simi Valley; and grandparents Fran and Dennis Wargnier of Simi Valley; Alyn Beckstead of Washington; and Geraldine R. Flood of Bakersfield, former 27-year resident of the Kern River Valley; and several aunts and uncles.

The service was held at 1:30 p.m. Friday, December 8, 1995, at Reardon Simi Valley Mortuary. Buriat followed at Simi Valley Cemetery.

Arrangements are under the direction of Reardon Simi Valley Mortuary.

## Archie Wallace Crawford

Graveside services were held Wednesday, January 31, 1996, at 11:00 a.m. at the Kem River Valley Cemetery for Archie Wallace Crawford II. Officiating was Edward Rain of the First Baptist Church of Lake Isabella. Mr. Crawford was born in Moss Point, Mississippi, and passed away after a long illness on January 28, 1996, in Mt. Mesa.

Mr. Crawford was a Merchant Seaman for over 25 year and a resident of the Kern Valley for 25 years. He loved fishing and spending time with his grandchildren.

He is survived by his wife of 58 years Margaret Crawford of Lake Isabella; son and daughter-in-law Archie and Kathy Crawford, also of Lake Isabella; son Ralph Crawford of California; four grandchildren and six greatgrandchildren.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.



#### Destiny Dejae Hearn

Graveside services for Destiny Dejae Hearn, age 4, were held on February 7, 1996, at the Shafter Memorial Park, in Shafter, California, at 2:00 p.m. Surviving her is her mother, Janet K. Hearn Parker, and father, Steve L. Williams of Weldon; sister April Parker of Weldon; brother Ray Murray; sister-in-law Kim; nieces Brittany and Karissa of Frazier Park; grandparents J.J. and Lucille Hearn of Weldon and paternal grandparents Judy Allison of Bakersfield; aunt Susan Wall, uncle Terry Wall, and cousin Lisa of Polson, Montana; uncle Delbert Hearn and aunt Colene, cousins Heather, Jarrod and baby Eric of Terra Bella, California; cousin Jason Hearn and wife Rosie, and cousin Marc of Shandon, California; aunt Rebecca, uncle Mike, William Jeffries, and Candy Aardel of Modesto, California. She also has innumerable great-aunts and uncles, second cousins, and great-grandparents, living in Marie Bakersfield. Mrs. Chadwick, Mr. and Mrs. Allison, Mr. & Mrs. Ben Chadwick.

Destiny was born in Bakersfield on December 4, 1991, and passed away February 1, 1996, at Valley Children's Hospital in Fresno, California, after a sevenmenth struggle with childhood cancer. She was a brave little girl, traveling many miles back and forth to Fresno to get chemotherapy and radiation treatments. Her doctors and nurses loved her dearly. We owe them a special thanks, and also those at

Ronald McDonald House.

She was our angel sent from heaven. She was our sunshine, and the light of our lives, especially her grandpa J.J.'s. She touched so many people's lives and had lots of friends in both the Kern River Valley and Fresno. The family wishes to thank evervone for their prayers and support, here and afar. It seems like the entire Northern Hemisphere was praying for her. Many relatives and friends attended her funeral, some as far away as Kansas, Montana, San Diego, Reno, Stockton, Corona, Cherry Valley, Weldon, Lake Isabella, Shafter, San Luis Obispo. Bakersfield, Tulare, Fresno and Modesto.

Her special friends Aaron DeLuca and David Katchfar will always be remembered. They

were there to support and help Destiny and the family. Destiny touched lot of lives both old and young, and she was barely four years old. Her uncle Delbert Heam from Terra Bella officiated the funeral with help from Grandma Heam, Aunt Susan Wall and Cousin Lisa Wall.

Arrangements by Mish Funeral Home of Olldale.

#### Child So Fair In Memory of Destiny

She was one in a million A person might say She loved everybody In her own special way.

She would brighten my day With her loving smile And when I felt bad She would hold me awhile.

She had the touch of an angel So delicate and rare And if I needed a hug She was always there.

She had a genuine loving And very special way When she made me feel better She would go out and play.

When she left me It made me so sad But I know she's in heaven So I don't feel so bad.

She had so much love She would readily share And I felt blessed Knowing this child so fair.

Charli Gates

#### John Stephen Cross

John Stephen Cross was born July 14, 1926. He entered U.S. Army in 1945 and served 31 years in Korea, Japan, Germany, and Vietnam. He retired as Lt. Col.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Wanda, in 1994; his mother, Pansy, in 1930; his father, Richard, in 1995; and brother, Raymond, a Marine killed in Korea, 1951.

Survivors include his daughter Rebekah, of the home; John Jr. of Minnesota; stepmother Lucy; brother Richard of Lake Isabella; brothers Robert and Victor of Hutchinson, Kansas; sisters Maudee Akers of Burbank, California; and Helen

Bright of Seneca, South Carolina.
John died peacefully in his
sleep after a bout with cancer on
January 30, 1996, at his home in
Las Vegas, Nevada.

#### Alice Victoria Buder

Memorial services were held Sunday, February 11, 1996, at 2:00 p.m. at the Kern River Valley Christian Church in Southlake for Alice Victoria Buder. Officiating was Pastor Duane Splawn.

Alice was born in Berlin, Germany on November 13, 1900 and married Frederick (Fred) Herman Buder on August 16, 1919 while yet in Germany.

Fred preceded Alice in death in February 1981. They had lived in Long Island until the mid-1950's when they moved to San Diego to be close to their only child, Marlies Planter Caswell. Alice came to the Kem River Valley to live with her daughter in 1986. She enjoyed the sociability of Lake View Guest Home (now Burlington) for a few years.

Alice loved her family and grandsons, David and Jack Planter and four great-grand-children. She loved Coffee Klatches, and being with her many friends, and club activities in San Diego.

She passed away peacefully at home with her daughter and son-in-law Marlies and Frank Caswell where she had been cared for for the past three years.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to your favorite charity.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

## George Willard Miller

George (Doc) was born on August 1, 1906, in Elida, Ohio, and passed away on January 26, 1996, in Apple Valley, California, at the age of 89. George (Doc) had been a resident of the local community for 17 years, before moving to Apple Valley where he spent the last 10 years. He earned his living as a dentist, but retired to the Kern River Valley.

He leaves a legacy of eight grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. George is survived by his wife of 67 years, Frances J. Miller; sons Gerald W. Miller and Ralph E. Miller; daughters Suzanne F. McDonald and Catherine A. Wild.

Services were held January 31, 1996, at Oakdale Cemetery in Glendora, California.

#### Robert E. Von Zell

Robert Von Zell was bom to Gustaf and Hattie Von Zell in Chicago, Illinois on January 3, 1915. He went to be with the Lord on February 9, 1996, in Mt. Mesa, California. Services were held on February 16, 1996 at Roosevelt Memorial Park in

Gardena, California.

Robert received his schooling in Chicago, where he sold newspapers on the street corners to help during the hard depression years. He often told stories of noted gangsters in the Chicago area that he knew of due to his job with the paper. Robert left Chicago in 1933. He worked as a smoke-jumper fire fighter in C.C. Camps in Washington and Oregon. Often he was called upon to top and cut down trees, sometimes while the fire soared above his head. He came to the lake area 20 years ago. Robert loved to fish with his wife Ethel, and taught his grandchildren how to fish. Of course, no one ever caught as big a fish as grandpa. He also enjoyed golfing and had several buddles to golf with. Most of his buddies had preceded him in death.

Robert could build a house from start to finish and he loved

to remodel old houses.

He is survived by his wife of 36 years, Ethel Von Zell, two daughters, Martha McDaniel of Mt. Mesa, California and Judith Herndon of Rolling Heights, California; one son Douglas Von Zell of Cerritos, California; two step-daughters, Dorothy Darr of Irvine, California and Pauline Stoltenberg of Redondo Beach; one step-son James Elliott of La Habra, California. Also a sister, Catherine Blake of Gardena, California; seventeen grandchildren and sixteen great-grandchildren. He will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved him.

Arrangements made by Lake Isabella Funeral Home, the Bonewell Family, Golden Rule Funeral Directors.

Phyllis Elizabeth McMurry

Born August 20, 1916 in Quincy, Massachusetts, Phyllis Elizabeth McMurry passed away in Lead Hill, Arkansas on Feb-

ruary 15, 1996.

Phyllis was preceded in death by her husband, James F. O'Mara, Jr. and a daughter, Susan M. O'Mara, and two sisters. Surviving relatives include sons James F. O'Mara III of Carmichael, California, Michael P. O'Mara of Tacoma, Washington and Peter O. O'Mara of Lead Hill, Arkansas; daughter Jane McKinley of Cabool, Missouri; sisters Evelyn Marie Cedarstom of Braintree, Massachusetts, Annette Savard of Cherry Hill, New Jersey; brothers Philip Louis O'Mara of Quincy, Massachusetts, Russel O'Mara of Manchester, New Hampshire, and Robert O'Mara of Jupiter, Florida.

Services provided by Holt Memorial Chapel, Harrison, Arkansas. Donald Root Haney

Services were held February 7, 1996 at the Kernville Methodist Church for Donald Root Haney, 62, who died February 5 in a Bakersfield Hospital of heart disease. Pastor John Carpenter officiated.

He was born February 11, 1933 in Versailles, Illinois to Margaret Root and Theodore Eugene Haney and into a long line of newspaper publishers. His parents operated newspapers in small Midwest towns and he grew up working alongside them. In the 1940s, the family moved to Danville, California where they started the Valley Pioneer. Don graduated from San Ramon Valley High School and attended Mt. San Antonio College in southern California for a time. He went to work for a pump company as a hydraulic engineer, but was drawn to Catalina Island when his parents moved there in 1954 to operate The Catalina Islander. Don soon joined them to work at the newspaper and took it over in 1962 when his parents retired. In 1974 he purchased the paper from the Wrigley Company which had owned it for, 60 years. During his 35year tenure at the paper, he could do, and frequently did, everything at the paper, from writing and editing to taking and developing photos to setting type and running the presses. He ushered the paper through the transformation from hot lead type to the computer age.

On April 18, 1981, he married Ann Regaldo, who joined the newspaper staff when she retired in 1984 as administrator of the local hospital. In 1990 they sold the paper and moved to Kernville where they had frequently

vacationed.

He joined the Kemville Lions Club and the Kem Valley Model Airplane Club (KMAK). He was a member of the Kemville United Methodist Church and Catalina Island Lodge No. 524, F. & A.M.

He is survived by his wife, stepson, John Regaldo of Catalina Island, California; three aunts, Pauline McCaskill, Mt. Sterling, Illinois, Melva Marshall, Robinson, Illinois and Tanko Haney of Munster Indiana.

Graveside services were conducted February 9 by members of the
Catalina Masonic Lodge and he was
buried at Avalon Memorial Cemetery
on the island he loved so well.

Services were entrusted to the care of the Bonewell Family of Lake Isabella Funeral Home, A Golden Rule Funeral Home.

#### **Ernest R. Travers**

Born in Kewanee, Illinois on February 16, 1911, Emest R. Travers passed away February 13, 1996 in La Mirada, California. He was a resident of Lake Isabella for 24 years. Services will be held today at Kem River Valley Cemetery in Wofford Heights. Reverend Snow of the First Baptist Church of Lake Isabella will be officiating.

Ernest was a retired carpenter and active in the 55 plus club where he was a past president, the CB Club and was also a past president of the Property Owners Association of the Reeder

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Ernest was a hard worker for the valley, getting the commodities brought into the valley for the needy. He worked with Roy Ashburn to get the senior citizen's building and to get phones put in the canyon.

Emest was preceded in death by his wife of 63 years, Annabell. He is survived by his children, J.M. Traver of La Mirada, California, Dorothy M. Klein of Livingston, Texas and Marylou Ellis of Lake Isabella, brothers Al Travers of Lakewood, California and Aubry Travers of Trinity Center, Clare Engel Lake, California. He had 7 grandchildren and 15 great grandchildren.

#### Jackie O'Dell Kienle

Jackie O'Dell Kienle, 71, died Saturday, January 6, 1996.

Graveside services were held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, January 9, in Memory Gardens Cemetery with the Rev. Frank Williams of Covenant Presbyterian Church offi-

ciating.

Mrs. Kienle was born in Amarillo and graduated from Amarillo High School in 1942. She married Bob Kienle in 1952 at Clovis, N.M. She worked at Pantex during World War II. Jackie and her husband resided in Lake Isabella in the late sixties and early seventies. She was a homemaker and member of the Daughters of the American Revolution Arredondo Chapter No. 2 and the Laureate Delta Tau/Chapter PL. 1572.

Survivors include her husband. two sons, Jerry W. Kienle of Albuquerque, N.M. and Bobby M. Kienle of Flat, Missouri; two daughter, Martha L. Kienle of Albuquerque and Debbie J. Nielsen of Helena, Montana, five sisters, Miriam Palmer of Lake Isabella, California, Hazel Gardner of Vigo Park, Vesta Orr of Auburn, Maine, Mateel Brown of Amarillo and Myrl Blackwell of Oklahoma City; three brothers, M.S. O'Dell Jr. of Minden, Louisiana, Glenn O'Dell of Amarillo, Texas and Dale O'Dell of Highland Falls, New York; 13 grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

# Margaret A. Schiber

Vigil services were held on Sunday, February 25, 1996, at 7:00 p.m. in the Rose Chapel of the Lake Isabella Funeral Home followed by a funeral mass on Monday, February 26, 1996, at 10;00 a.m. at St<del>. Ju</del>de's Catholic Church for Bodfish resident Margaret A. Schiber, age 77. Committal services and interment followed at the Kern River Valley Cemetery in Wofford Heights. Rev. Charles Casale, parish priest of St. Jude's Catholic Church officiated. Mrs. Schiber passed away in a Bakersfield hospital on Thursday evening, February 22, 1996.

She was born in Tiff, Missouri on June 15, 1918. She moved with her family while still an infant to Granite City, Illinois, where she spent her early years and received her education there at Sacred Heart School. She and George W. Schiber were married in Granite City, Illinois, on February 1, 1936, and recently celebrated heir 60th wedding anniversant together.

niversary together.

In 1954 they moved to Los Angeles and in 1960 built their home here, moving to the lake full time in 1966. She and her husband owned and operated the Plaza Shoe and Department Store, now known as the Shoe Box in Lake Isabella, until retir-

ing in 1974.

Mrs. Schiber was a member of the St. Jude's Catholic Church and of the St. Jude's Altar and Rosary Society are was a past member of the Kemville Rebekah Lodge. She was a devoted and loving wife, mother and grandmother. She especially enjoyed reading, knitting, quilting, canning, reading and was an exceptional cook and homemaker. She will be greatly missed by her loving family and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents and by two brothers Ollie and Mitch Roderick and by two sisters Grace Roderick and Sister Francis Gabriel, Mrs. Schiber is survived by her husband George of the family home in Bodfish; by sons and their wives Michael and Elizabeth Schiber of Templeton, California; Larry and Alice Schiber of Titusville, Florida; Phillip and Sandra Schiber of Livingston, California; and by two daughters and their husbands Carol and Rusty Thomas of Bodfish; and Linda and Tom Petty of Bakersfield. She is also survived by brothers and sisters Lawrence "Dick" Roderick, Cecelia Cruse, and Theresa Marie Harding, all of Granite City, Illinois, and James Roderick of Manhattan Beach, California; and by 13 grandchildren Melinda Kershner, Ruth Ann Browning, Michael Charles, Stephen, Leslie, Kaylyn, Nicollette, Carolyn and

Lawrence Schiber, Jr., Doug and Jenny Thomas, and Michelle and Collette Randour, and by five great-grandchildren; several nieces, nephews and many, many friends.

The services were entrusted to the care of the Bonewell family of the Lake Isabella Funeral

Home.

#### Max Shaw

Max Shaw was born to William and Lottie Shaw on June 7, 1918, in Arkansaw, Wisconsin. The family moved back and forth between Wisconsin and California several times. Max went to elementary school in Long Beach, California, and attended high school in Wisconsin.

Max left Wisconsin in 1935 and returned to California where, in Torrance, he met Barbara Jane Hall and they were married in Glendale on October 7, 1939. Together, they lived in Long Beach, Torrance and other cities in the Los Angeles area. Max attended Pacific State University in Los Angeles where he became an electronics engineer. They spent 29 years together in the Northridge area before coming to the lake area in 1983.

He loved to fish and RV camp. He and Barbara belonged to the Kem Valley Rovers and went on many trips with other RVers. He also was a Ham radio operator and a member of the Kem Valley Amateur Radio Club. He loved music and played lead cornet at the Chicago World's Fair in 1936. Max loved animals, especially cocker spaniel dogs. Max was a member of the Highland Chapel United Methodist Church.

No matter what fate threw him, Max could overcome any odds to go on a trip, such as the time in the 1960's when the car never made it past Newhall and Max returned home, worked on the car for two days, started out again, noticed a broken axle on the trailer. They just rented another trailer and enjoyed the remainder of the vacation in the Redwoods.

Max is survived by his wife Barbara of nearly 56 years; two sons, Darryl of Lemoore, California, and Randy, of Idaho Falls, Idaho; and one daughter, Lois Esteb-Cohen, of Simi Valley; plus six grandchildren, Tim, Jenny, Keith, Robbie, Brian, and Bill; and three great-grandchildren, Tyler, Chelsea, and Chantelle.

Donations can be made to the Highland Chapel Methodist Church Memorial Fund in memory of Max Shaw.

Arrangements provided by the Lake Isabella Funeral Home, the Bonewell family, a Golden Rule Funeral Home.

Marceline Francine Ames (Esponda)

Graveside services were held Wednesday, February 21, 1996, at 1:00 p.m. at Rankin Ranch Cemetery, Walker Basin, for Marceline Francine Ames (Esponda) who died February 16, 1996 in Pico Rivera.

Mrs. Ames was born October 15, 1910 in Lorraine, California, and had resided in the Los Angeles area for 50 years.

She is survived by her husband, Harry Maynard Ames; son, Harold Richards and his wife Muriel; granddaughters, Jana Richards, Joanne Bloot; grandsons, Andrew and Josh; sister, Luteria Petersen; and brother, Johnny Esponda.

Doughty-Calhoun-O'Meara Funeral Directors

#### Jonnel Amber Dolan

Jonnel Dolan passed away as a result of a traffic accident during the night of Saturday, February 24, 1996. The accident was not discovered until Monday, February 26, 1996.

Visitation was held on Thursday, February 29, 1996, and her funeral service was held on Friday, March 1, 1996, at 11:00

Jonnel was born to John and Sharon Dolan in Riverside, California, on January 9, 1968. Jonnel moved to San Francisco and later in 1992 moved to the lake area where she lived and loved life to the fullest. She was a beautiful daughter, sister and member of her family.

She came to the lake area for one reason, "nature's beauty." She loved to hike and camp, It was said of her "She lived not in nature, but with it." Jonnel spent a lot of time along the river and streams of the area. She would set up her make believe cabin along the streams marking out her living room, her bath and so on. Even to the point that she would sweep the dirt in her living room. Everyone who knew her said, "That's Jonnel."

Jonnel is survived by her mother and stepfather, Sharon and Carl Nelson of Mt. Mesa, California; her father, John Dolan, of Riverside, California; two brothers Bryan Dolan of Columbia, South Carolina, and J.R. Wright of San Bernardino, California; one sister, Jacquelyn Jackson of Salinas, California; and her special friend and companion, Donald Jackson.

The family is taking comfort from the statement of one of the family members "God must have loved Jonnel very much to have taken her so young." She is loved and missed by all her family and friends.

Services were entrusted to the care of the Bonewell family of the Lake Isabella Funeral Home, a Golden Rule Funeral Home.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6, 1996

#### Lorelei Soule Hubbell

Private family services will be held for Lorelei S. Hubbell, age 83. of Bodfish, A 20-year Kern River Valley resident, Mrs. Hubbell was born in Rifle, Colorado, on February 3, 1913, and entered into rest on February 29, 1996, in Bakersfield.

Lorelei was a commercial artist specializing in landscapes. She had worked in Civil Service during World War II and moved to the valley from Yorba Linda, California, after the death of her

husband.

She was a caring, generous person who loved nature and all of God's creatures, especially cats and birds. She was known by her friends and neighbors as "the lady who feeds the birds." She enjoyed participating in art shows and was a talented cartoonist.

Survivors include her sister, Dorothy Dunagan, of Kemville, and a dear friend, Carol Wermuth, also of Kemville.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary, Lake Isabella.



#### Patricia Clytie Horn

Our most beloved Patricia Clytie Hom passed from this life on February 26, 1996, after a long and valiant struggle with breast cancer. Bom on September 1, 1948, Patty was 47 years of age. It was a great joy and comfort for Patty to spend the last days of her life at her home in Wofford Heights, enjoying the spectacular views of Lake Isabella, surrounded by her loving family, friends, pet cat and of course, "Skipper, the Wonder Dog."

Patty was, right to the end, a positive and living expression of God. During the darkest hours of her struggle for life, Patty remained at peace, a loving conduit of God's love, sharing her strength, love and hope with all.

She met her mate of 28 years, Boyd, on a blind date at the U.S. Navy Seabee Base in Port Hueneme, were subsequently married and had four children, Hyrum, Aaron, Chuck and Clytie AnnaJean. Her son Aaron preceded his mother in death on February 26, 1995.

Patty is survived by her grandmother, Clytie Allen of The Burlington in Wofford Heights; her parents, Gerald and Jean Obert of Southlake; sister Peggy of Chico, California; sister Penny of Lancaster, California; brother Paul of Colorado; as well as numerous nieces and nephews. Patty made so many deep and loving friendships, both in the Kem River Valley and abroad.

Her honesty, her caring and fun loving spirit, made Patty a wonderful companion. She was keen to pursue the wholesome, active life she loved. She sought to capture from life all that was beautiful, honest and fun. Patty was most beloved, and will be deeply missed by all who knew her.

Visitation was at Valley Mortuary in Lake Isabella on Friday, March 1, 1996, from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. The funeral service was at Valley Mortuary Chapel on Saturday, March 2, at 2:00 p.m. with Pastor Mary True of the Unity Church of Petaluma officiating.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary, Lake Isabella.

Robert Bruce Yeager III

Robert Bruce Yeager III, "John" was born November 28, 1946, into a Cascade Mountain snowstorm to Louise and Bob-Yeager II. John grew up in those mountains surrounding Cascade Creek until he was four years old, when hard time and deep snow moved the family west to Tehachapi, California, where he attended schools from kindergarten to his high school graduation in 1964.

His passion for life was in the mountains and deserts, where he loved to explore, scrounge, hunt, fish and live. And those things he never stopped doing.

After spending a short time in junior college, John served in the U.S. Coast Guard aboard the USS Storris in Alaskan waters.

In 1969, while still serving the U.S.C.G., John married Kathy Freitag. They were living in Long Beach when their first son, Robert Bruce IV "Little John" was born. They then moved to Fresno, where John earned a bachelor's degree in agriculture and a life-time teaching credential. While living in Fresno, their second son, Bryan Dallas, was born.

John and Kathy moved their family to the Kem Valley, where they made their home and where their daughter, Mindy Lou, was born. John's first teaching job was at Kem Valley High School, where he taught Ag and Ag methodies for cittage, years. He

chanics for sixteen years. He grew to love all of the students who touched his life and he left lifelong impressions on many youngpeople's hearts and minds. His and Kathy's lives took

separate paths, however John's thoughts neverfaded for his loved ones.

In 1992, John got a job advising FFA at Arvin High School and taught there since then. Through the years he received many letters of appreciation and awards. Most recently he was recognized for his efforts in project growth at Arvin High School FFA.

John spent the last few years hunting, fishing, exploring and enjoying the countryside with his sons, John and Bryan; his sweetheart and companion, Kim Titus; and his dog, Oso.

He will be greatly missed by all of his family and friends. John is survived by his children, John, Bryan and Mindy; and their mother, Kathy; his mother, Louise; brothers, Bart and Jack; sister Nancy; and many loving uncles, aunts, cousins, nieces, nephews and friends.

On the 17th day of February, 1996, John went into the high country for the last time, where he will live in our hearts forever.

A memorial service was held Wednesday, February 23, 1996, in the Wood Family Funeral Service Chapel for family and friends. The family has requested in lieu of flowers that contributions be made to: FFA, Arvin High School, P.O. Box 518, Arvin, CA 93203. Wood Family Funeral Service handled the arrangements.

#### Allen Miller Coleman

Allen Coleman was born July 15, 1910, to George and Cora

Coleman in Ronan, Montana. He entered into rest at his home in Bodfish, California, on March 7, 1996, at the age of 85.

He was a truck driver for Safeway Stores for 40 years and moved to the lake area in 1975. Allen was quite a leather craftsman and loved any hobbies requiring handwork. Later in his life, he became an avid fisherman.

Survivors include his daughter Shirley Sheumaker of Clovis, California; son Amold, of Bonita, Califomia; seven grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; plus sisters Dora Taylor of Montana; Ruth Hendrickson of Washington; Bonnie Stipe of Montana; and brother Wesley of Montana. His wife, Edith, preceded him in death in 1991.

Allen will be greatly missed by his family and friends.

Services entrusted in the care of the Bonewell family of the Lake Isabella Funeral Home.

Paul Pysarchyk

Memorial services for Paul Pysarchyk will be held at Highland Chapel United Methodist Church, Lake Isabella, at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 14, 1996. Pastor Floyd Castillo will be officiating. He died on March 4, 1996, following a lengthy illness.

Paul was born in New York City on April 8, 1918. He came to California in 1955 and retired from the Los Angeles Unified School District. In 1973, he moved to the Kem River Valley, Later he met and married Lena Mae in September 1984.

He loved to dance, travel, work with wood and in the yard. He was a member of the Loyal Order of the Moose Lodge #498, Bodfish Beamers, Senior Center and a member of the Highland Chapel.

Paul is survived by Lena Mae, is wife of almost 12 years; his former wife, Connie, of Bodfish: their children, Barbara Hubbard of Houston, Texas; Gregg Pysarchyk of Eagle Rock, California; and JoAnn Green of Rialto, California. Another son, Wayne, died in 1970. There are four grandchildren, Laura Lee, Teresa Ann, Ruben Paul and William Patrick, all of Houston; one great-granddaughter, Jauren, also of Houston. He is also survived by two sisters, Olga and Mildred, and a brother Walter.

Helyn L. Olson

Graveside services for Helyn L. Olson of Hanford, California, were held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, March 5, 1996, at the Hanford Cemetery. Officiating were the Luceme Chapter of the Eastern Star #127 and Sandy Jacobs, Minister of the Religious Science Church of Visalia, California. Mrs. Olson died Friday, March 1, 1996, at a Hanford hospital. She was 80 years old.

Mrs. Olson, a self-employed beauty operator, was born in West Fork, Arkansas, and lived in Kings County for 10 years. She was a member of the Unity Church, the Kern River Chapter 643 of the Eastern Star and a memberthe Grandmothers Club

of California.

Helyn and Byron Olson retired to Lake Isabella in 1973 and moved to Hanford in 1986. They had spent many vacations, years before that in Lake Isabella. They had lived in Paramount, California, where Byron was Vice-President of Golden State Bank.

Her husband, Byron A. Olson, died in November 1989. Survivors include two stepsons; Byron Olson Jr. of Chatsworth and Allen Olson of Palm Springs; three step-daughters, Betty Brown of Van Nuys, Virginia Hall of Desert Hot Springs and Elna Pederson of Los Banos; two brothers, Paul Love of Downey and Joe Love of Ridgecrest; two sisters, Betty Vigario of Hanford and Doris Hofius of Long Beach; eight stepgrandchildren and six step-grandchildren and six

Visitation was from noon to 5 p.m. Monday, March 4, 1996, and 9 a.m. to noon Tuesday, March 5, 1996, at Whitehurst-McNamara Funeral Service.

grandchildren.

Haskell B. Long

Funeral services were held Thursday, March 7, 1996, at 10:30 a.m. at Mt. View Southern Baptist Church for Haskell B. Long. Officiating was Pastor Deryl Lackey and Dr. W.M. East. Interment followed at Kem River Valley Cemetery with Pastor Robbie Robinson officiating.

H.B., as he was known, passed away on March 3, 1996, in Mt. Mesa, California, after a long illness. He was born on April 15, 1909 in Rush Springs, Oklahoma, and married Gladys Chapman in 1930. He was ordained to the ministry in 1940 and moved to California in 1944 to help establish Southern Baptist Churches. Hls ministry in California was in Santa Ana, Long Beach, Whittier, Garden Grove and Clovis, all in Southern California.

In addition, he also served on many committees for the state convention, such as education that led to establishing the California Baptist College at Riverside; hospital; Children's Home and others.

H.B. also was a teacher for the Los Angeles School System, teaching in Watts at Jordan High School for eight years. In 1968, he taught Junior High Science at Woodrow Wallace until 1974. Then, because of age, he retired again and was used in the district as a substitute teacher for three years.

H.B.'s philosophy was "Education plus Evangelism," so he also served as pastor of beginning Southern Baptist Churches in the valley. He was pastor of all three Southern Baptist Churches: Lake Isabella Mt. View Southern Baptist; Kernville First Southern Baptist; and Weldon Southern Baptist Church. He has ministered to many people in the valley through "Education and Evangelism" in his 28 years in the Kern River Valley.

He is survived by his wife Gladys and daughter Mary E. Long, both of Lake Isabella; daughter Monta Jo (Mrs. Charles Erikson) of Garden Grove, California; and Janet (Mrs. Charles Crawford) of New Orleans, Louisiana; five grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren. He will he missed by so many

be missed by so many.
In lieu of flowers, the family

has requested contributions to the Buillding Fund of Mt. View Southern Baptist Church in Lake

Isabella.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20, 1996

#### Samuel Payne & Doris Roberta Mover

Graveside services were held for Samuel Payne and Doris Roberta Moyer at Kern River Valley Cemetery. Sam, age 88, passed away on February 21, 1996, at a hospital. Doris passed away at her home a few weeks later on March 10, 1996, at the age of 85.

Sam was born in Washington D.C. on July 7, 1907. He was a mining engineer for Bechtel Engineering Co., Inc. He was a member of the American Institute of Mining and Metallurgical Engineering, Sam has lived in the valley for 17 years.

Doris was born in Old Kernville on January 26, 1911. She has lived in Wofford Heights for 46 years, where she was a housewife. She and Sam were married

for 56 years.

They are survived by their son Jack M. Ellis of Galt, California; three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Arrangements were made by Ben Salas of Galt, California.

LaVetra Maxine Pope

LaVetra Maxine Pope, of Bodfish, passed away on March 8, 1996, at the age of 72 years. She was born in Kansas on February 21, 1924, to Andrew and Ida Threewit. Her husband, Julian, preceded her in death in 1993.

She moved from Kansas to California in 1928 and to Bodfish in 1979. Her life's career was that of a devoted homemaker. LaVetra leaves her daughters Bonnie Hubbard and husband Jim, Frankie Kirschenmann, Sharon McGowan and husband Dennis, Agnes Carson, and a son George Pope and his wife Carolyn, plus 13 grandchildren and 21 great-grandchildren. She will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved her.

Arrangements provided by Funeral Directors.

Lake Isabella Funeral Home, the Bonewell family, Golden Rule

#### Charles Lee Gholson

Funeral services were held Monday, March 18, 1996, at 11:00 a.m. at Valley Mortuary for Charles Lee Gholson. Officiating was Pastor David Snow of the First Baptist Church in Lake Isabella. Interment followed at Kern River Valley Cemetery.

Mr. Gholson was born on August 3, 1936 in Mason Valley, Arkansas and passed away on March 12, 1996, in Bakersfield, California. He has been a resident of the Kern River Valley for 22 years and has worked at Safeway and Vons for all those years here in the valley. He was very active in the FFA at the Kern Valley High School and the Explorers, also the Boy Scouts. He loved to fish at the lake and he also loved bowling.

He is survived by his wife of 19 years, Shirley, of Lake Isabella; his son Charles Lee II; daughter Angela Marie Gholson, also of Lake Isabella; his sisters Betty Graham of Texas and Helen Meigs of Sunnyvale. He will be missed by all who knew

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

#### Myrtle "Myrt" I, Robinson

Myrtpassed away in Mt. Mesa, California, on March 10, 1996, at the age of 84 years, 11 months and 10 days. She was born in Warren, Ohio, on April 1, 1911, to Arthur and Violet Remalia. She graduated from Warren G. Harding High School, Myrt married Hillard S. Robinson on November 25, 1937, and moved with her family to Southern California in 1946.

Her vocation was in accounting, in which she worked until she retired at the age of 72. Myrt was widowed in 1971 and she moved up to the Lake Isabella area six years ago when her son and daughter-in-law moved here.

Myrt is survived by her son, Arthur Robinson and his wife. Barbara, of Bodfish; three grandchildren and six greatgrandchildren; a brother, Neal Ramalia and his wife Elma, of Hemet, California; and a niece: Mary Ann Lowry of Warren, Ohio. She will be greatly missed by all her friends, especially at her favorite coffee shop, and mostly by her family.

Arrangements provided by Lake Isabella Funeral Home, the Bonewell family, Golden Rule

Funeral Directors.

## In memory of Richard Cross Sr. Love To My Daddy

The little man with silvery gray hair.

A little man whose memory wasn't there.

Whose heart was like a child, But always lifted you up with a great smile.

He always talked of children in the trees.

Especially when the breeze hit the leaves.

His love for his family was really great.

As his wife stood by him, a loving mate.

When night came, he was afraid to sleep.

And many times, he started to

When you patted his shoulder, and told him "it's alright."

He was able to sleep most of the night.

My heart was heavy with pain When my daddy said many things without any gain.

We never stopped loving him as time went by.

All we could do is just try. If medals are given to a person on earth.

Can you imagine how many my daddy is worth?

My daddy's not gone, he's takin' a rest.

Putting all of us kids to a test. Weknow we will see him again, at heaven's gate.

If we all believe in God Almighty, he's there for the take.

I love you, Daddy, with all my heart.

You were always there right from the start.

I'll be there to walk with you hand and hand

Only the Lord knows when I

So, Daddy, wait at the golden stairs

And you always know that your family really cares.

We will all be together in the great up above.

And it all started with a daddy for love.

I love you, Daddy, and will miss you.

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Lena Ethel (Gough) Braden

Graveside services were held for Lena Ethel (Gough) Braden, formerly of Lake Isabella, on Wednesday, March 13, 1996, at 12:30 p.m. at the Hillcrest Memorial Park in Bakersfield, California. Officiating was Reverend Herman Lippert. Burial followed at Hillcrest Memorial Park in Bakersfield. Visitation was held on Wednesday, March 13 from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, at the Hillcrest Chapel in Bakersfield.

Lena was born on February 1, 1916 in Appleton City, Missouri, and passed away of natural causes on March 10, 1996, at Beverly Manor Health Care Center in Ridgecrest, California. She was 80 years old.

She was a member of the Grandmother's Club #94, the Moose Lodge of Lake Isabella, and a member of the Beamer's Club.

Survivors include daughter Karen Joyner of Olancha, Califormia, with whom Lenalived since May 1995; daughter June Bradstreet of Ridgecrest, California: grandson James B. MacDonald of Lancaster, California; granddäughter Nonnie Childers of Pomona, California; grandson Kenneth Anglin of Upland, California; great-grand-daughter Joni Childers of Pomona, California; and greatgrandson Dustin Childers of Pomona, California.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that contributions be made to the American Cancer Society, 1599 Clifton Rd. NE, Atlanta, Georgia 30329.

Arrangements by Holland & Lyons Mortuary of Ridgecrest, California.

#### Richard William Seltenreich

Private arrangements were made for Richard William Seltenreich who passed away on March 11, 1996, in Mt. Mesa after a long illness. He was born in Breckennidge, Colorado, on October 17, 1909 and has lived in California for more than 50

He worked for MGM for 30 vears before retiring and moving to the Kern River Valley over 21 year ago. He was a member of the Moose, Elks and the Eagles. Richard and his wife Constance were very active in the valley before she passed away.

He is survived by his nephew James and his wife Janice and their family.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

#### Herbert L. Brady

A funeral mass was held Wednesday, March 13, 1996, at St. Jude Parish Catholic Church at 10:00 a.m. for Herbert L. Brady of Lake Isabella. Officiating was Father Charles Casale. Burial followed on Thursday, March 14, 1996, at 11:00 a.m. at San Fernando Mission Cemetery in Mission Hills. Officiating was Monsignor Army.

Herbert was born May 20, 1935 in Staten Island, New York, and passed away at his home in Lake Isabellaon March 10, 1996. He has been a resident of the Kem River Valley for 15 years and enjoyed camping here. His family said that he loved life and his beer. He also loved KVLI and was said to have all radios tuned

He is survived by his wife of 20 years, Gloria, of Lake Isabella; his sons, Robert Brady of West Hills; Herbert Brady of Granada Hills; and daughters Gloria Sepulveda of Bakersfield; Kathy Freidman of Lake Los Angeles; Regina Gomez of Granada Hills; as well as 11 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Arrangements by Valley

Mortuary.

#### Jerry Erwin Harper

Services are being held today, Wednesday, March 27, 1996, at 1:00 p.m. at the Lake Isabella Rose Chapel for Jerry Erwin Harper. Jerry was bom March 23, 1933, in Centralia, Illinois, the son of Herbert Gerald Harper and Mildred Ida Rapp. He was the second of three children bom to this marnage. His older sister, Barbara Lucille, died at birth.

At the age of 12, Jerry was baptized and became a member of the New Harmony, Southern Baptist Church in Centralia, Illinois. He graduated at Centralia Township High School in 1952, and joined the United States Air Force on June 24, 1952 and was sent to Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas, and was discharged June 23, 1956 in Tucson, Arizona. He served as an aircraft mechanic during his enlistment.

He married Marjorie Luella Lance on September 5, 1955, and five children were born to this marriage. Jerry lived and worked in .lllinois for several years, and then moved to Cali-

fornia. He was divorced from Marjorie, and latermamied Linda Elaine Fritzche on October 15, 1975. There were no children born to this marriage. Linda died of cancer on June 12, 1994, in Norwalk, California.

Jerry had worked for several years at Kraft Food Inc. as a maintenance mechanic, before having to retire on disability after two heart by-pass surgeries. After the death of Linda, he bought a home in Lake Isabella and moved here in January of 1995, living here until his death on March 20, 1996.

He was preceded in death by his father, Herbert Gerald; sister Barbara Lucille; and wife Linda; also a daughter, Lisa Jean, still born, from his first marriage.

Jerry is survived by his mother and step-father, George and Mildred Peper (Paper) of Centralia, Illinois; four children: Vickie Lynn, Deborah June and Jerry Michael, all of Centralia, Illinois; and Herbert William of Peoria, Arizona. Six grandchildren of Arizona and Illinois; sister and brother-in-law, Phyllis and Jim Piper of Lake Isabella; and Jerry's girlfriend, Nellie Waugh, of Bodfish. He will be greatly missed by all who loved and knew him.

Funeral arrangements were entrusted to the care of the Lake Isabella Funeral Home, a Golden Rule Funeral Director.

#### Phyllis Marie Hunter

Phyttis was born in Hutchinson, Kansas, on November 43, 1917. She passed away on Franch 19, 1996, in Bakersheld, California, at the age of the traveles were held in the Bose Charlet of the Lake Isabellatione of Hornet of the Lake Isabellatione of Hornet of the Lake Isabellatione of Hornet of the Mickley of the Hillion Christian Fellowship of La Mirada, California, officiating.

She met and married Carl Brink and together they moved to the tips Angeles area. Mr. Brink preceded her in death.

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#### Cildia Russell

Cildia Russell passed away Thursday, March 21, 1996, at Mercy Hospital in Bakersfield, California. She was 72.

Bom Cildia Timpe on February 18, 1924, in Jerseyville, Illinois, she was one of thirteen

children.

Cildia lived in the Kern River Valley in California for the past 40 years. She was married to Jim Russell (deceased).

Together they made their home in Bodfish Canyon on property purchased from early days rancher Vern Harrington.

Cildia was well known for her outstanding cooking and worked at several Kem Valley eateries. She also enjoyed home canning. She liked to garden and raised rabbits.

She was also an accomplished artist in her own right. Other interests included sewing,

reading and fishing.

She is survived by three children, Ron Fennell of South Gate, California; Judy Stone of Bakersfield, California; and Goldie Veitch of Meeker, Colorado; also one sister, Freddie Howard of Barstow, California; eight grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

#### Keith Shelton Parker

Keith Shelton Parker, age 77. entered eternal life on March 25, 1996, at his home in Kernville, California. Keith was born on December 24, 1918, in Lexington, Kentucky, to Shelton and Bessy Parker and they moved to California at the age of four. Keith attended Ventura College and U.S.C. and worked for Northrop Aircraft from 1940 to 1944 as an aircraft assembler. He served his country in the U.S. Army from 1944 through 1946. He then became a patrolman for the California Highway Patrol in Ventura County for 27 years until his retirement in 1975.

In 1978 Keith began working on his dream home in Kernville, building it with his own hands. He married Agnes Ella Smith in 1981 and they moved here per-

manently in 1986.

Keith loved woodworking. He was President of the Kern Valley Golf Club and a member of the Elks.

Keith leaves his wife Agnes; a daughter Debbie Martin and husband Steve of Honolulu, Hawaii; and sister Doris Harris of Hawthome, California. He will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved him.

Services are private and arrangements were made by Lake Isabella Funeral Home, the Bonewell family, a Golden Rule Funeral Home.

# Anthony W. Castro, Sr.

Graveside committal services were held on Friday, March 22, 1996, at 10:00 a.m. for Anthony W. Castro, Sr., at San Fernando Mission Cemetery, Mission Hills, California.

Mr. Castro was born January 10, 1920, in Santa Barbara, California, and passed away from a lengthy illness on Sunday, March 17, 1996, at a Pleasant Valley hospital. He was 76 years

old.

Anthony retired from Rocketdyne Div. of Rockwell, Int. in Canoga Park. He was a 4th Degree Grand Knight of the Knights of Columbus. He was also a member of the Kem Valley Moose Lodge, the Kem Valley Rod and Gun Club and the Kern Valley Golf Association.

He is survived by his son and daughter-in-law, Tony and Janet Castro of Moorpark, California; son and daughter-in-law, George and Linda Castro of Canyor Country, California; six grand children and seven great-grandchildren; and his sister Geraldine Darci of Camarillo California.

Donations can be made to St Vincent De Paul Society.

#### LeAnn Carol Jones Jansen Scales

Graveside services were held Thursday, March 28, 1996, at 1:00 p.m. at the Kern River Valley Cemetery for LeAnn Carol Jones Jansen Scales. Officiating was Pastor Jon Rowe of the Church of Christ in Mt. Mesa, California.

LeAnn was born January 8, 1956, in Erie, Pennsylvania and passed away March 24, 1996, in Bakersfield, California. She has been a resident for 27 years and graduated from Kern Valley High School in 1973. She was a local

artist in the valley.

She was preceded in death by her father, Henry Laurence Jones, Sr., and her uncle, Gordon Guy Cappelletty. She is survived by her husband, Gary Joe Scales of Pumpkin Center, California; her sons, Jeremy Earl Jansen Seaman Rcrt. from Great Lakes, Illinois, and Waylon Joe Scales of Lake Isabella; daughter Jennifer Audrey Jansen of Lake Isabella: mother, Audrey Katherine Jones; brothers, Henry Laurence Jones, Jr. and Dale A. Jones, all of Lake Isabella; sisters, Traci Lynn Dean Speicher from Germany and Cheryl Reneé Jones of Beaver Lake, Arkansas; matemal grandmother Katheryn Ellis of Riverbank, California, and paternal grandmother Pearl Amold of Erie, Pennsylvania; and numerous aunts, uncles, nephews, nieces, cousins and friends.

If one chose to look up into the night sky recently, they would have seen amongst millions of stars a spectacle so amazing that all else paled by comparison. A brilliance that awed those fortunate enough to gaze upon its' beauty. Alone in its journey, seemingly lost and seaching for a home, like a frightened child turning another comer in a city of indistinguishable neon lights. And only after gauging your own mortality with the significance of the event, do you then realize its purpose. Sent by God to bring

together otherwise separated family and friends. And upon accomplishing this, has found a home. Yet all who looked could not have seen what I had seen, for I speak not of a comet, but my sister, who will be forever loved and missed. And unlike a comet, need not return, because she will stay with us in our hearts, always. Signed, D. Jones

Arrangements by Valley

Mortuary.

#### Fred J. Holzer

Private family graveside services were held for Fred J. Holzer, age 84, of Kernville, in the Kem River Valley Cemetery. A 27-year valley resident, Mr. Holzer was born August 14, 1911, in Los Angeles, California, and passed away on March 19, 1996, in a local hospital.

Fred served as a firefighter with the Los Angeles City Fire Department for 34 years, rising to the rank of engineer. He was also a member of B.P.O.E. #2358

in Wofford Heights.

Survivors include his wife, Diana Holzer of Kernville; a daughter, Kathryn Poulos of Canoga Park, California; son Ted Nicolas of Oxnard, California; son Christy Nicolas of Fountain, Colorado; a brother, Alfred Holzer of Van Nuys, California; a sister-in-law, Daisy Annison of Valencia, California; grand-daughters, Cally and Pamela Poulos; and several nieces and nephews.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary, Lake Isabella.

# Charles (Chuck) A. Fitting

A private family viewing was held on Saturday, March 30, 1996, at the Lake Isabella Funeral Home for Charles A. Fitting who passed this life at his home in Wofford Heights on Friday, March 29, 1996.

Charles was born in Los Angeles, California, to Anna Marie and Charles A. Fitting, Sr. He lived and worked in the Los Angeles area until 1981 when he retired and moved to Wofford Heights. He married his loving bride JoAnne in 1982.

He was very active in the Citizens Service Unit and Bodfish Beamers. Charles enjoyed woodworking and living with the surrounding wildlife in the area.

Charles will be deeply missed by his wife JoAnne; daughter and son-in-law Verne and Richard Egan of Florence, Oregon; daughter and son-in-law Dianne and Gil Kajiki of Canoga Park, California; son and daughter-inlaw Gregory and Laura Ito of Arleta, California; sister and brother-in-law Virginia and Donald Moore of Wofford Heights; grandsons Bryan Tollefson of Montana and Dale Tollefson of Oregon; niece Donna Moore of Rancho Palos Verdes, California and his faithful dog, Cinder.

He was a loving, humorous, faithful husband, father and friend. He will be missed by all whose lives he touched.

In remembrance of and in tribute to Charles, donations may be made to Kem Hospice Services, 5118 Lake Isabella Blvd., Lake Isabella, California 93240, or to the American Heart Association.

Services provided by the Lake Isabella Funeral Home, the Bonewell Family, a Golden Rule Funeral Home.

# Howard Elston Bedwell

Howard Bedwell passed away quietly in his home in Squirrel Valley on March 29, 1996, due to complications in his battle with cancer. He would have been 82 on April 6.

Mr. Bedwell is survived by his daughters and sons-in-law Sandyand Doug Ernestand Judy and Dick Hallgren, all of Squirrel Valley; also seven grandchildren, eight surviving great-grandchildren and another on the way.

Howard was preceded in death by his loving wife of 56 years, Jane, and his greatgrandson, Joshua.

He will be sorely missed by his family, numerous friends and at the golf course where he spent so many happy hours.

A memorial service was held at 11:30 a.m. on Wednesday, April 3, at the First Baptist Church of Lake Isabella. Officiating was Dr. David Snow, Pastor and Rev. Douglas Emest, Howard's sonin-law.

#### Anne Lee Newland

Anne Lee Newland, age 92, entered into eternal rest on Saturday evening, April 6, 1996, at her home at Pacific Regency Care Center in Bakersfield, California, where she had resided since October of 1987.

One of nine children of Joseph H. and Nannie Elizabeth Hensley Newland, she was born July 10, 1903, at Jackson, Kentucky. She was baptized, raised, lived and died in Christian faith, long time member of Maxwell Street Presbyterian Church, Lexington, Kentucky.

Miss Newland spent her working years as an aide at Good Samaritan Hospital in Lexington, Kentucky, and in private duty home care nursing. Never marrying, she spent her love on others – children, the needy, and the sick.

She is survived by one brother, Charles L. Newland, M.D., age 95, of Brevard, North Carolina. She has nieces, nephews and their families in Florida, North Carolina, Virginia, Michigan, Georgia, and locally, nieces Margaret B. Vermillion, M.D., and Jean B. Welsh of Weldon, California. Her family acknowledges a sincere debt of gratitude to the wonderful staff at Pacific Regency who took such very good, loving care of her during the final eight and one-half years of her

life.

Services will be private and interment will be at Evergreen Cemetery, Louisville, Kentucky. She will be sorely missed by family and friends.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

#### Bertram Robert Morgan

Private services at the home, officiated by Pastor Jack Dilley, were held for Bertram Robert Morgan, age 92, who passed away on April 5, 1996. Bertram passed away at home with many of his family members at his bedside. Interment was held at Hillcrest Memorial Cemetery in Bakersfield.

Bertram was born to William and Ellen Morgan in West Cardiff Wales on July 7, 1903; moved to Canada at the age of nine, then to Michigan and Wisconsin. While living in Wisconsin, he met Laura Ella Parker, and they wre married on January 28, 1928. Laura preceded Bertram in death on January 18, 1996. They lived in Racine, Wisconsin, where three of their six children were born; they then moved to Kenosha, where their other three children were born. They came to California in 1950, were Bertram worked as a machinist in the aircraft industry. They moved to Bodfish in 1969. He loved to fish and was a great card player. He also loved dice

Bertram is survived by five sons, Bertram Jr. and wife Judy of Fontana, California; Ralph of Missouri; Marvin and wife Dianne of Bakersfield; James and wife of Grants Pass, Oregon; Michael and wife Nancy of Bodfish; and daughter Arvilla Stern of Lake Isabella; plus 29 grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren and 2 great-great-grandchildren. Bertram will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved him.

Arrangements were entrusted into the care of the Bonewell family, Lake Isabella Funeral Home, a Golden Rule Funeral Home.

#### J. Glenn Alexander

Graveside services will be held Wednesday, April 17, at 11 a.m. in Kem River Valley Cemetery for J. Glenn Alexander, age 81, who passed away April 11, 1996, in Lake Isabella. Reverend John Carpenter of the Kemville Methodist Church will officiate.

Mr. Alexander, born September 4, 1914, in San Jose, California, had resided 63 years in the Kernville area where he was a well-known cattleman.

He is survived by his sons, Gary Alexander and wife Sharon, Bill Alexander and wife Jan, Jim Alexander and wife Debbie; daughters, Susan Ardesch and husband Rene, Pat Alexander; step-daughter, Portia Beebe and husband Buster; sisters, Margaret Heringer and husband Bill, Alice Hogge and husband Claude; grandchildren, Brad Alexander and wife Karen, Kelly Pennebaker and husband Randy, Hattie, Joseph, Kevyn, Glenn and Will Alexander, Jennifer Swassing, Lettie Ardesch, Alison Hamm and husband Eli, Greg Humphrey and wife Chris; great-grandchildren, Benjamin, Jacob and Jessica Alexander. He was predeceased by his wife, Frances Alexander, and his second wife, Helen Alexander.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial donations be made to the F.F.A. Booster Scholarship Fund, c/o Kem Valley High School; 3340 Erskine Creek Road, Lake Isabella, CA 93240. No visitation is scheduled.

Doughty-Calhoun-O'Meara Funeral Directors.

#### Daisy "Polly" Bruce Rollo

Graveside funeral services were held in the Kem River Valley Cemetery in Wofford Heights at 11:00 a.m., April 13, 1996, for Daisy "Polly" Bruce Rollo of Mountain Mesa. Officiating was Pastor Dr. David Snow of the First Baptist Church of Lake Isabella. Daisy, known as "Polly",

was bom May 27, 1905, in Battle Creek, Michigan, and passed away at her home in Mountain Mesa on April 3, 1996. She was preceded in death by her husband of 67 years, Walter Russell Rollo, who passed away in October 1994; sister, Marion Bruce Zimmer in 1976; and brother, Frederick Bruce in 1941.

She grew up in Michigan and New York, met Walter while working in Elmira, New York. They married in 1927, had two children, a son and a daughter and moved to California in 1941. They both were involved in much community service work and helping others.

Polly was active in Parent Teachers Associations, as president, publicity and other as well as being a Girl Scout Leader and Girl Scout Commissioner in Temple City, California, where they lived a good portion of their lives. While there, she was also the first woman to be elected to the school board and later to become Chairman of the Board. As a Red Cross Volunteer, Polly was recognized by the Veterans Administration for achieving 500 hours of active service at the veteranshospital. Walterandshe were 25 years active members of the Good Sports, those devoted to helping people primarily in wheelchairs. They were honored by the Temple City Council for outstanding community ser-

vice. Polly was selected by the Council as the Senior Citizen of the Year in 1981, and later honored by the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors in the Older American Recognition Day, an honor given to those who are still actively involved in service to others in their community.

Upon moving to Mountain Mesa in 1983, Polly retired from active community service, but continued to be interested in oth-

ers, helping wherever she could, writing many letters to cheer others, enjoying her family, grandchildren and great-grandchildren, playing cards and writing amusing poetry.

She is survived by a son, Bruce Rollo, of Pasadena, California; daughter, Virginia Burrows, of Mountain Mesa; nephew, Gerald Zimmer, Jr., of Sun Lakes, Arizona; seven grandchildren and ten greatgrandchildren. Her deep faith was evident in her life. She was very much loved and will be missed by all.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.



#### Walter Washburn

Walter Wilshire Washburn, age 73, died peacefully at the Kem Valley Hospital on April 6, 1996. He retired to Kernville 10 years ago to the home they purchased five years previously. He was born in Los Angeles on February 21, 1923. Previous to retirement he had a plumbing contracting business in Northridge, California, for 30 years. He was both a second

generation native of California and plumber. He married June when he was 19 after courting herfortwoyears. They celebrated their 53rd anniversary last July.

Walt became very active locally in the Lions Club serving two years as President, the KMAC Model Flying Club, Camp Owen volunteer (with two other Lions) teaching the boys to build and fly model airplanes, ran the Lions Bingo for three years and was a member of the Airport Association. He was very patriotic and proud to have served in the Army Engineers in World War II participating in the D-Day Landings. Walt's proudest achievements were his daughter Cheryl Goldie of Union City, his son Lonie Washbum (a third generation Californian and plumber) of Canoga Park; granddaughter Moirs Goldie (currently graduating from the University of Redlands). He left daughter-inlaw Suzanne Washburn; and sisters Kay Canzoneri and Bonnie Barker.

Burial was April 12, .1996, at the Kern Valley Cemetery. The family requests any donations to the Kern Valley Hospital Foundation, P.O. Box 1628, Lake Isahella

Funeral arrangements provided by Valley Mortuary.



Services were held for Mary Surprenant, age 82, on April 11, 1996, in Lodi, California. Born in Massachusetts, she passed away on April 8, 1996, in Lodi.

Mary lived in Wofford Heights for six years. She was a member of the St. Jude Altar Society.

She is survived by her husband of 56 years, Albert; son Jerry, owner of Jerry's RV; son Gene, who lives in Lodi; son Edward, also of Lodi; daughter Denise, of Riverside, California; seven grandchildren.



Ruby Irene Herring

Graveside services for Ruby Irene Herring, age 82, of Weldon ware held on Saturday, April 13, 1996, at 9:00 a.m. in the Kern River Valley Cemetery, Wofford Heights. Officiating was Pastor Robbie Robinson of the Weldon Baptist Church.

A 25-year Kern River Valley resident, Mrs. Herring was born to William and Martha Rexroat in Aline, Oklahoma on July 20, 1913 and passed from this life on April 11, 1996.

Ruby was preceded in death by her husband, Herbert L. Herring in 1986. She is survived by her sons James of Weldon and Clarence of Nebraska; grandsons James of Dustin Acres; and Kenny, Ronnie and Craig, all of Nebraska; granddaughter Debbie of Adelanto, California; and many great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

"We love you, Grandma. Thank God for blessing us with such a beautiful person and thank you Grandma for all the precious memories. You will be deeply missed. Love, Your family."

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary, Lake Isabella.

#### Gordon V. "Bud" Moxon

Gordon "Bud" Moxon was born on November 16, 1932, in Hawthome, California, the first son born to Marion and Santford Moxon. Bud was always a loving and respectful son. Bud graduated in 1951 from Gardena High School where he participated in football and basketball, and in recent years he became active in the alumni association. He looked forward to and took great pleasure in assisting in the planning of class reunions. After serving his country in the United States Army, Bud worked in the aerospace industry until his retirement in 1988, at which time he and his wife Donna moved to Bodfish.

Bud loved to fish and enjoyed working with the fish habitat program and helping out in the annual fishing derby here at Lake Isabella. He especially enjoyed helping with the children's fishing derby. Bud loved nature and all of its animals. He would out of his way to protect or care for any injured animal.

He worked for the Forest Service in the Senior Community Service Employment Program and was an active member of the Kern County Sheriff's Department's "Citizen Service Unit." Bud enjoyed working for the Sheriff's Department and serving the community that he loved so well. He set an example for other members to follow.

In addition to his wife Donna, Bud leaves his mother Marion Brown and her husband Clarence of Weldon; his five children, son David Moxon of Milner, Georgia: daughter Laura Trice, also of Milner; son Danny Moxon of Yatesville, Georgia; daughter Loma Stroup of Lewisport, Kentucky; and son Chris Moxon of Bodfish; sisters Pat Burns of Hawthorne, California and Norma King of Cerritos, California; and brother Ron Moxon of Pahrump, Nevada. Bud is also survived by ten wonderful grandchildren and two greatgrandchildren of whom he was very proud.

All who knew Bud will remember his great sense of humor and how he loved to tell jokes. He will be greatly missed by all who

knew and loved him including his beloved dogs, Daisy Mae, Sooner, and Spanky.

"May you be rewarded in heaven for your kindness on earth. We love you."

Arrangements entrusted to Lake Isabella Funeral Home, the Bonewell family, Golden Rule Funeral Directors.

#### Ruth Louise Martin

Memorial services were held for Ruth L. Martin on Tuesday, April 9, 1996, at the Highland Chapel United Methodist Church. Ruth was born on August 7, 1917, in Muskogee, Oklahoma, to Mary and Earl Crowder. Ruth married Lynn Martin in Redondo Beach, California, on May 17, 1938.

They lived in Redondo Beach until 1975 when Lynn retired and they moved to the Kern River Valley.

Ruth was an active member of the Highland Chapel until they moved to Park City, Utah, a few years ago. She died in Salt Lake City on April 3, 1996.

She is survived by her husband of more than 57 years, Lynn Martin; their children, Steve and wife Dian Martin; Randy Martin; Linda and husband Ernie Stone; and one grandchild, Bill Stone. All live in Park City, Utah. Ruthis also survived by her many friends.

#### Olga Paul Swift

Olga Swift, age 84, passed away on April 10, 1996, in San Joaquin Hospital in Bakersfield. Services were at 2:00 p.m. Friday, April 12, 1996, at the Lake Isabella Funeral Home Rose Chapel with Pastor Jack Dilley of the Johnsondale Bible Church officiating.

She was born to John and Deice Paul in Norfolk, Virginia. Olga served as a Corporal in the Women's Army Air Corps during

World War II. She met Chair Swift in Portsmouth, Virginia, and they were married on August 21, 1953, by a Navy Chaptain.

Olga and her son traveled everywhere the Navy sent Clair. His last hitch of duty was in Long Beach, California, and he was discharged in San Francisco. She and Clair moved to Ridgecrest in 1960 where she worked at the China Lake Naval Weapons Center. They moved to Lake Isabella in 1969.

Her hobbies consisted of gardening and she loved traveling. She also loved to study genealogy and she was a member of the Clan Diggers, Eastern Star and Mended Hearts. The apple of her eye was her only grandson, David.

Olga is survived by her husband Clair of Mt. Mesa; one son Paul, of Denver, Colorado; and her grandson, David. She will be

greatly missed by all whom she knew and helped. Her family will always love and remember her.

Services were entrusted to the care of the Bonewell family of the Lake Isabella Funeral Home, a Golden Rule Funeral Home.

#### Edna Allman

Graveside services were held at Green Hills Memorial Park, Rancho Palos Verdes, at 2 p.m. on April 22, 1996 for Edna Allman, age 82. Personal eulogies were said. Possible services to be scheduled at a later date.

Edna was bom on June 24, 1914, in Lomita, California, and passed away on April 14, 1996. A retired nurses' aide, she had been a resident of Weldon for 19 years. She was a member of the Eagles, Grandmother's Club, and Women's Club for years.

She is survived by her children Earl J. Allman of Florida; Doris Strom of Huntington Beach; Roy Allman of San Diego and Daniel Allman of Weldon. Also surviving Edna are three grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; brothers Elmer and Floyd Higgs. She was a loved friend to many in the valley and bedside nurse to several dying patients in Weldon and Southlake areas.

Arrangements by Green Hills Memorial Park.

## Ralph Francis Obert

A mass for Christian burial was held on Thursday, April 18, 1996, at 10:00 a.m. at St. Jude's Catholic Church for Ralph Francis Obert. Officiating was Father Charles Casale. Interment followed at Kem River Valley Cemetery. Mr. Obert was bom on January 11, 1909 in St. Louis, Missouri, and passed away April 14, 1996, in Bakersfield, California.

Mr. Obert worked for the Pacific Telephone for 40 years before retiring and moving to the Kem River Valley on January 1, 1970. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus, St. Jude's Pansh, the WHIGs, 55+ Club and the Rod and Gun Club.

He is survived by his wife of 54 years Marion and good friend Jack Hays of Wofford Heights; and many cousins, nieces, nephews and grandnieces and nephews.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

# Frederick Thomas Lees

Frederick Thomas Lees, born in Newark, Ohio on January 10, 1906, passed away on April 19, 1996, in Bakersfield, California. He was one of ten children born to William A. and Grace Dorsey Lees.

Survivors include his wife Clara; sister Grace Kissack and husband Bill; sister Helen Pierce and husband Jack; sister Mary Sutton and brother Walter Lees.

Prior to coming to the valley, Fred was part owner of L & L Oldsmobile in the San Femando Valley. He was past Commander

of the American Legion Post 735 and held life membership. He was a member of Al Malaikah Temple and of the Kern River Valley Chapter of the Eastern Star #643. Fred held an honorable discharge from the Army of the United States.

He will be remembered for his jolly spirit, his keenness of mind, his interest in contemporary affairs and his youthfulness at the age of 90.

A memorial service will be held at the Masonic Temple at 11:00 a.m. on April 25, 1996. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Kern Valley Hospital Foundation or the Shriner's Crippled Children's Hospital.

Arrangements made by Valley Mortuary.

#### Deb Carson Thomas

A memorial service will be held at the Kern River on Saturday, April 27, 1996, for Deb Carson Thomas. Please contact Fern Leighton at 379-4444 for information.

Deb was born in Holden, Massachusetts on July 2, 1962. She came to the Kern River in 1986 to become a riverguide. She discovered something incredible there that she was able to share with many people.

She is survived by her husband, Mark; son, Alexander; father, David; mother, Evangela; and her brother, David Jr.

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Herwishes were that her friends gather at the Kem, where she shared so much wonder and laughter with all of us. She knew the power and magic of the river and of the loving friendships it fosters. "Yes, we are the lucky ones!" she always said.

Her spirit will always be alive in the cherished and true works of art she left. Her spirit will forever flow within each of us who knew her. Her spirit will live on in her beautiful son, Alexander.

Because of you, Deb, we are the lucky ones! We love you very, very, very much. Larry Lee Lindell

Larry Lee Lindell, "Big Sweety", age 59, passed away on April 12, 1996, at the Veterans Hospital in Los Angeles, California. Larry was born in Rock Island, Illinois on August 4, 1936 to Warren and Grace Lindell. He served in the U.S. Army and upon discharge in 1956, moved to California, settling in the Gardena area.

He and Linda Ann Sluti were married on August 4, 1979, in Redondo Beach, California, and they owned and ran a trucking business prior to moving to the Kem River Valley in 1981. In 1991, they opened the very popular R-Haven Restaurant in Bodfish. Larry was also employed for 15 years as a group counselor at Camp Irwin Owen. He was a member of the Moose and loved to camp and fish.

Besides his wife, Linda, Larry leaves his mother Grace Turner, of Texas; daughters Debra Alvarez, Susan Gunthrie, Linda Steakin, Jeri Rae Binder, all of Illinois; sons Terry Lee Lindell of Van Nuys, California; and Michael Stevenson of Lake Isabella. Also surviving Larry are 11 grandchildren, one great-grandchild; brothers Bill of Wisconsin and Dan of Illinois; and sisters Lois Coleman and Bonnie Ewing, both of Illinois.

Larry will be greatly missed by his family, friends, fellow employees, customers and all whose lives he louched. As he wished, a wake was held at the restaurant on Monday, April 15, 1996.

Arrangements made by the Bonewell family, Lake Isabella Funeral Home, a Golden Rule Funeral Director.

### Richard "Dick" W. Flatt

Richard "Dick" W. Flatt was born to Fredrick and Selma C. Flatt on April 2, 1918, in Driscol Lake, Saskatchewan, Canada. He passed away on April 9, 1996, at

the Veterans Administration Medical Center Facility in Los Angeles, Califomia. He had been ill for several years. In addition to eye problems, he suffered from Diabetes, Parkinson's Disease and heart problems. As he had trouble communicating he seemed to withdraw from his friends and family.

Dick learned to speak French at an early age in Sunday School and public school as that was the native language. He was an avid reader, loved poetry and recited it often throughout his life. After school, he went to work on a large sheep ranch in Montana and after a couple of years he grew tired of the cold weather. He caught a freight to visit the relatives that had bragged about the sunny California. With their help he got a job in a grocery warehouse.

Soon after being here, there was talk around about a war and the men his age were joining the military service. One visit to the Navy recruiter, he was signed up and reported to duty October 11, 1939 for a six-year hitch, and served until October 16, 1945. Except for special training in later years, he served on the USS Phoenix and a few months on the Asiatic Pacific Area duty he served on the USS Leary. He enjoyed seeing the world, survived the Pearl Harbor attack and many other battles without a scratch. The saddest day for him was when he learned his brother, another Pearl Harbor survivor, was killed in the same battle that he was in and very close to his ship.

After returning to his home, he went to work at Certified Grocers in Los Angeles. He retired February 1, 1976, 31 years of service and 26 years a trustee for Local #630. He also was a member of the Quarter Century Club, a member of the baseball team and bowling team. He was a refrigeration maintenance person.

He always kept busy at an early age. He would ice skate in the

winter time and played baseball in the summer. His later hobbies were fishing by day and dancing anytime there was good music. He was often called "Twinkle Toes."

Soon after his retirement he found another job, Club Manager starting at the American Legion Post #645 in Bell Gardens, then later here at this Eagles Lodge for about 10 years.

He was a member of the Teamsters Retirees in Bakersfield, life member at Eagle Lodge #3156, Moose Lodge #1297, Pearl Harbor Survivors Chap. #19, Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #7665, Kem River Valley, American Legion Post #711.

Preceding him in death were his parents, brother Garfield and stepson Donald Parkey. Survivors include his wife Dannie; brother Harland and wife Brenda; nephew, Kimm and wife, Sarah Flatt; uncle Emil Evenson of Lake Elsinore, California; uncle Marvin Evenson of New Effington, South Dakota; uncle Amie Evenson of Portland, Oregon; aunt Avenal Orasa of Hemet, California; aunt Ruth Holm of Sissiton, South Dakota; aunt Minn Anderson of Hanksinson, South Dakota; cousins Tommie Gettel of Fresno, California; Dr. Marilyn Evenson of Ventura, California and several others.

Services were held on April 13, 1996, at the Allen-English and Estrada Funeral Chapel with Reverend Jack Showers officiating. Another service was held on April 18, 1996, at the Eagles Lodge #3156. Participating in the services were American Legion #711, DVA #54, Pearl Harbor Survivors #19 and the VFW #7665.

His ashes are to be placed at sea by the United States Navy.

#### Deb Carson Thomas

A memorial service was held at the Kernville Chamber of Commerce on Saturday, April 27, 1996, for Deb Carson Thomas.

Deb was born in Holden, Massachusetts on July 2, 1962. She came to the Kern River in 1986 to become a river rafting guide. She discovered something incredible there that she was able to share

with many people.

She leaves her husband, Mark William Thomas; and 8-monthold son, Alexander Carson Thomas, of Santa Cruz, California; her parents, Dave and Evangela (Ward) Carson of Holden, Massachusetts; her brother's family, David, Jean Marie, Derek and Zachary Carson of Aubum, Massachusetts; in addition to family and friends from all over the U.S. and many other countries.

Deb graduated from Wachusett High School and the University of Massachusetts, in Amherst, Massachusetts. She became an artist and developed a design and printing business called "Full Moon Enterprises." She and her husband were married on the Kem River under a full moon. Each full moon that followed, the two celebrated as "honeymoons."

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very, very much.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Alexander Carson Thomas Education Fund, c/o Doug Ardley, 220 Darwin St. #B, Santa Cruz, California 95062. Wesley C. Morris

Funeral services were held Tuesday, April 23, 1996, at 11:00 a.m. at the Elks Lodge for Wesley C. Morris. Officiating was the officers of the Elks. Interment followed at Kem River Valley Cem-

etery.

Mr. Morris was born May 22, 1920, in St. Lewis, Missouri, and passed away April 18, 1996, in Mt. Mesa, California. He has been a resident of the Kem River Valley for 18 years. He retired from the City of Burbank after 36 years and he loved to garden and had planted many beautiful roses. He was a member of the Elks Lodge and past trustee and Elk of the Year in 1983. "He was the greatest Dad."

He is survived by his wife of 49 years, Waver Morris of Wofford Heights; and his daughters and their husbands, Waver and Bert Hamrick of Georgia; DiAnna and Bill Hawkins of Big Bear, California; six grandchildren and four great-grandchildren and his brother Carl. Morris of Sunland,

California.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

#### Anna Margaret Jones

Anna Jones, age 94, was born on September 18, 1901, in Wakefield, Nebraska, to Heinrich and Elise Hattij. She attended grammar school in Wakefield, then moved to Lancaster, California, where she attended high school. Anna lived in Lancaster until 1992 at which time she moved to Bakersfield and lived in the Golden State Convalescent Home until her death on April 20, 1996.

Memorial services were held Wednesday, April 24, 1996, at 11:00 a.m. at the Oddfellows Lodge, 425 30th St. in Bakersfield. Private burial will follow in

Lancaster.

While in Lancaster, she met and married Cecil Jones, who preceded her in death. Cecil worked for Southern California Edison in Lancaster. He also worked for J.W. Black at his blacksmith shop in Lancaster on a part-time basis.

Anna worked as a waitress at the then famous Harvey House Restaurant in Lancaster's earlier days. She and Cecil often spoke of the 20 mule team that used to go through Lancaster. Often Cecil spoke of the 2600 people who lived in the Antlope Valley area in 1908.

It was very well known that Anna made the best wedding cakes in the Antelope Valley. During World War II when gas, butter and sugar were rationed, Anna had people bring the butter and sugar for the cakes, using their own gas to pick them up. Anna was very active in the Oddfellows Lodge. She was a member of the Lancaster Rebekah Lodge #196 for 74 years. She was also Past District Matriarch, Past District Deputy President, Past Advisor of Theta Rho Girls Club. On one

occasion in 1968, when her son, Charles, was taking several youths to Denver, Colorado, to the Junior Theta Rho Convention, he was short a car so he called Anna to ask if they could borrow her car for the trip. In a matter of minutes she was packed and ready and drove her car to the Denver convention. Anna was the first Color Bearer of the Rebekah Assembly of California in 1947-48.

Anna is survived by her two sons and their wives, Charles and Marian Jones of Weldon, California; and Robert C.L. Jones and Shirley of Eugene, Oregon; one sister, Stena Frasch of Bonesteel, South Dakota; two brothers Bob Hattij of Fredrickburg, Iowa; and Henry Hattij, of Bonesteel, South Dakota; seven grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren, as well as a great host of those who knew and loved her.

In lieu of flowers, please send donations to the Kemville Rebekah Lodge for the Childrens' Home in Gilroy, California, in memory of

Anna Jones, P.O. Box 595, Kemville, California, 93238.

Services were entrusted to the care of the Bonewell Family Funeral Home of Lake Isabella, a Golden Rule Funeral Home.

#### William L. Sunderland

Services will be held at 11:00 a.m. on May 4, 1996, at the Elks Lodge for William L. Sunderland, age 71. He was born on February 19, 1925, in Akron, Ohio, and passed away on April 17, 1996, at Eisenhower Memorial Hospital in Indio.

A World War II veteran, William served in the U.S. Navy from 1943 to 1946 in Pacific Theater. He was later employed by the Santa Fe Railroad where he was Supervisors of Operations. He has lived in the Weldon area since 1970.

He was a life member of the Kern Valley Elks, associate member of the Indio Elks, a life member of the VFW, a member of the Eagles, American Legion and the Moose.

William is survived by his wife of 43 years, Marvel, of Weldon; sons Craig and Gary Sunderland, both of Weldon; and sister June Slater of Akron, Ohio.

In lieu of flowers, please send donations to the City of Hope, Elks Foundation or Heart Association.

### Gertrude V. Carrick

Private family services have been held for Gertrude V. Carrick, 89, of Wofford Heights. A 17-year Kem Valley resident, Mrs. Carrick was born on November 28, 1906, in Vinita, Oklahoma, and passed from this life on April 25, 1996 at her home.

She had worked as a real estate agent for several years. Since moving to the valley, she and her husband had enjoyed fishing in the lake and river.

In addition to her husband, Gordon Carrick, of Wofford Heights, she is survived by her daughters, Betty Jane Bunoski of Sutter Creek and Shirley Ann Benton of Glendale; one grandchild; one great-grandchild; one brother and three sisters. She was loved and will be greatly missed by all who were fortunate to have known her.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary, Lake Isabella.

#### Teralee "Terri" Pace

Services were held in Greenlawn Memorial Chapel in Bakersfield on Friday, May 3, 1996, for Terri Pace, age 57, who passed away on April 29 In Bakersfield. Terri was born on August 22, 1938 in Bellflower, California, and resided in Kem County ten years. She was a former resident of Kernville, where she was employed at the Kem Valley Sun. She was employed as a billing clerk in the home health care business for four years, last employed at Med-Mart.

Terri is survived by her sons, Kelly, Michael and Andrew: daughters, Shannon and Dianne; step-sons, Alan and Kent; and ten grandchildren.

Arrangements by Greenlawn Mortuary Funeral Directors.

### Roy Fay Jones

Private arrangements were made for Roy Fay Jones who was bom in Union City, Pennsylvania on May 13, 1926, and passed away in Mt. Mesa, California, on May 1, 1998.

He was a resident of the Kern River Valley for the past 22 years. He served in the Air Force during World War II from 1941 to 1950.

Roy is survived by his wife, Dorothy; children Robert, Thomas, Della, Tina and DeWitt, all residing in California; Lee, in Colorado; eight grandehildran; 2 brothers. Richard and Raiph, of California; four sisters, Patricia, Loralee, Linda and Sally and many relatives and friends in Pennsylvania.

Arrangements by Valley Mor-

tuary.

Do not stand at my grave and Weed

I am not there, I do not sleep. I am a thousand winds that blow;

I am the diamond glints on snow.

I am the sunlight on ripened

i am the gentle autumn's rain. When you awaken in the morning's hush.

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." Author Unknown My loving father

### Maureen C. Carver

Memorial services will be held at a later date for Maureen Catherine Carver, 65, of Lake Isabella. Maureen was born February 25, 1931 in Minneapolis, Minnesota and passed away on May 3, 1996, in Lake Isabella.

She was a homemaker and during her six years in the valley she had become involved with the quilting club, the Friends of the Library and the Kem River Valley Historical Society. She spent most of her adult life as a homemaker and raised eight children. She and her husband, Gerald E. "Jerry" Carver, would have celebrated their 44th anniversary in July.

In addition to her husband. Marueen leaves two daughters, Kathleen Mary Ory of El Segundo, and Nora Ann Rouge of Hawthorne: six sons, Kevin Michael Carver of San Diego, Matthew Mark Carver of Hawthome, Sean William Carver of Long Beach, Timothy Patrick Carver of Long Beach, James Joseph Carver of Newport Beach and David Francis Carver of Hawthome; 18 grandchildren; a brother, Michael M: Tierney of St. Paul, Minnesota and a sister, Molly LaChapelle of Maryland.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary, Lake Isabella.

### Franklin "Frank" Conrad

Services were held on Friday. May 3, 1996, at 11 a.m. at the Four Square Church in Wofford Heights for Franklin "Frank" Conrad, Öfficiating was Pastor Brian Polston.

Frank passed away at his home on May 1, 1996, at the age of 81

years young.

He was born one of six children to Barton and Ettie Conrad on April 14, 1915, in Pasley, Oregon.

The family moved to California in 1916 **and** in 1938 Frank married Olga Williams, his wife of 57 yeras. They had two daughters, June and Carol.

He is survived by his wife, Olga Conrad, of Kemville; daughter June Conrad of Wofford Heights; daughter and son-in-law Carol and Ronnie Crowder of Kemville; four grandsons and their families Bill Hunt and wite Lynn of Kemville; Clint Hunt and wife Lisa of San Jose, California; Ronnie Crowder, Jr. and wife Sammi of Oklahoma; Robbie Hunt and wife Jennifer of Bakersfield, California; three greatgrandsons; seven great-granddaughters; sister Mae Chandler of Grass Valley, California; and brother Fred Conrad of Ceres, California.

A few days before Frank's 81st birthday, he began his new life as a bom again Christian enjoying his new Christian work with his family and his new Christian family at Wofford Heights Four Square Church. On May 1st, he quietly entired into his eternal life with his new found Savior, Jesus.

There was a luncheon in the gym at the church following the graveside service.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary, Lake Isabella.

Lorraine Luverna Inskeep

Lorraine, 76, was born in Wintersett, Iowa, on July 6, 1919, to Frank and Mary Cooper. She entered into eternal rest on April 30, 1996. She left lowa in 1940 and came to Hollywood, California and continued to live in the Southern California cities of Burbank, Glendale and San Bernardino before moving to the lake in 1974. While living in Glendale, she met William "Särge" Inskeep and they were married in Santa Barbara on December 31, 1958.

She loved her garden, especially the roses, and was very active with outside work. In fact, if you couldn't find Lorraine working in her garden, you just might find her on the roof, sweeping leaves. She also adored her children and grandchildren.

Lorraine had a special love for the Lord and she served him with all her heart. She was faithful to her church, the Lake Isabella Seventh Day Adventist Church.

In addition to her husband, Sarge, Lorraine leaves children Frank Webb of Valencia, California; Joyce Sites of Sandy, Oregon Lorraine Finley of Wolford Heights; Jean Ann West of Columbus, Ohio; and William Inskeep, Jr., of Las Vegas, Nevada; sisters Louise Bowstead of Cottage Grove, Oregon; and Francis Butters of Sicex City, Iowa; plus 19 grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren and two great-great grandchildren.

Arrangements made by the Lake Isabella Funeral Home, the Bonewell family, a Golden Rule

Funeral Director.

Kenneth D. Ruggles "Papo"

Kenneth Denzel Ruggles, 81. passed away on April 25, 1996, at Antalope Valley Hospital after a long battle with heart disease. He was born June 6, 1914 in Augusta, Kansas, and received his education there.

He entered the U.S. Army and upon discharge in 1946 returned to Augusta where he married his first wife Phyllis in 1936 and they moved to California in 1956 where he was transferred by his employer, Mobil Oil, for whom he worked 43 years, before retiring. In 1982, he moved to the Kem River Valley and in 1986 married Lulu Kennedy. Lulu preceded him in death in 1995.

Kenneth was a member of the Elks, American Legion and the Eagles. He loved to garden and his great joy was his great-

grandson, Jeremy. In addition to Jeremy, Kenneth is survived by his daughter, Sandi Moldenhauer of Hesperia; grandson Cory Moldenhauer of granddaughter Oceanside; Tammy Birch and husband John of Lancaster; granddaughter Jamie Chavez and husband John of Wilsonville, Oregon; brother Donald of Augusta, Kansas; and sister Doris of Lincoln, Nebraska.

Kenneth was laid to rest on April 29, 1996, at the Kem River Valley Cemetery where a graveside service was held with Rev. Richard Lewis, Pastor of Kernville First Baptist Church in Kemville. He will be greatly missed by his many friends and family.

Arrangements were made by the Lake Isabella Funeral Home, the Bonewell family, a Golden Rule Funeral Director.

### Mabel "Mickey" Florence Sandifur

Mabel Florence Sandifur "Mickey", age 86, was born on May 15, 1909, in Wells County, North Dakota, to Philip and Christina Tulp where she received her schooling and spent her

younger years.

She moved to Glendale in 1936 with her young children and began a new life there. She then moved to North Hollywood, where she worked at Rathbun's Department Store. While working there she became acquainted with a gentleman who owned a business across the street from her work. She recognized him as a man who often had coffee in the restaurant in Glendale where she also had coffee. They began dating and had a nice comfortable relationship until another lady began to eye him and she decided they should marry. They were married on June 28, 1958 with fewer friends than expected because the wedding invitations read "Cecil and Mabel" and some of their friends did not know who they were.

Soon after their marriage, they purchased and developed property in Havilah, then moved to the Kem River Valley in the 1960's. Sandy was the love of Mickey's life and she devoted the years after their marriage to being a homemaker and wife. She was an excellent cook and had a flair for decorating their lovely horne. She took great pleasure in always looking her very best for herself and all of those whom she loved

and who loved her.

In addition to her loving husband, Sandy, Mickey is survived by daughters Lorraine Sartoris and Donna Goagee, of Lake Isabella; Joanne Sandifer of Rathdrum, Idaho; son Tom Sandifer of Torrance; a sister Lillan Jamison of Lake Isabella; 15 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Services were held on May 2, 1996, at Rose Chapel with Pastor John Carpenter of United Methodist Church in Kernville, officiating. Interment at Kern Valley Cemetery was private.

Arrangements made by Lake Isabella Funeral Home, the

Bonewell family, a Golden Rule Funeral Director.

### Margaret "Peggy" Marie Vermeer

Memorial services were held for Margaret "Peggy" Marie Vermeer on Sunday, May 5, 1996, at Highland Chapel United Methodist Church. Pastor Floyd R. Castillo officiated. The service was followed by a meal at the Moose

Lodge.

Peggy was born April 30, 1920 in Redding, Pennsylvania, to Mary Hummel and Fred Otstot. She served our country during World War Il as a 1st Lieutenant in the Army Air Comstrom 1943 to 1946 She moved to California in 1948 to North Hollywood, where she met and married Warren "Bud" Howard Vermeer. Their marriage took place in Yuma, Arizona on

February 16, 1952.

She and Bud moved from Reseda, California, to the Kem River Valley in January 1985 where they set up their home in Squirrel Valley. She felt that this was the best place in the world. She knew that she had found the perfect place and told all her friends! She loved to work in her yard and grew flowers of all kinds and colors. Peggy was an excellent seamstress, creating clothing for all of her family. She loved to dance and was very good at it. Peggy was a garage sale fanatic where she always met a lot of new friends. She belonged to the VFW Auxiliary, Ladies of the Elks, La-

dies of the Moose, Eagle Ladies Auxiliary, American Legion, White Shrine, Women's Auxiliary Army

Corps Chapter #10.

Peggy is survived by Bud, her husband of more than 44 years; their son, Michael Vermeer of Los Angeles; daughters Linda LaBlue of Lake Isabella, Marijane Downey of Simi Valley, and Sandy Kerneghan of Placerville. She is also survived by two brothers, Harold and Fred Otstot. There are eight grandchildren.

Arrangements made by the Lake Isabella Funeral Home, the Bonewell family, a Golden Rule

Funeral Home.

**Edgar Alvin** Wood, III

Edgar Alvin Wood, age 76, was bom in Rhode Island on October 11, 1919, to Edgar and Genevieve Wood, II. He received his schooling while living in Rhode Island. He entered the U.S. Army and served his country in Germany as an M.P. from 1942 to 1947. He was so proud to have served his country he even bought a used Army Jeep.

After leaving the service, Edgar moved to California in 1956, settling in Lomita. He moved to Torrance in 1970 where he married his wife Velma and they moved to the Kem River Valley in 1982, after retiring from Borg Warner, the company he had worked for since leaving the service.

Edgar loved life! His favorite pasttime was dancing and he especially loved Halloween. He and Velma won first prize at the senior dance for the funniest couple. He also loved to camp and enjoyed panning for gold and, being a rock hound, enjoyed lapidary work, often making rings, lapel pens and

other jewelry.

He had an overt sense of humor and was extremely well-read and maintained an active mind. In addition to his loving wife, Edgar is survived by daughters Barbara Happ of Long Beach; Shirley Wood of Laguna Hills; Marcia Gann and Carolyn Correa; sons Robert of Forrest Hills, California; and Paul of Los Angeles; sister Charlotte Borders of West Palm Beach, Florida; and brother John of Cumberland, Rhode Island. His sister Marilyn Gabellian, preceded him in death. Edgar will be greatly missed by his family and many friends.

Services were held at Highland Chapel, United Methodist Church, on May 1, 1996, with Pastor Floyd Castillo officiating.

Arrangements were made by the Lake isabella Funeral Home, the Bonewell family, a Golden Rule Funeral Director.

#### Marion Rose Sorrick

Private arrangements were made for Marion Rose Somick who passed away on May 7, 1996, at her home in Weldon. Marion was born September 3, 1926, in Washington.

She has been a resident of the Kern River Valley for 17 years and was known as "The Cookie Lady." Many people in the valley enjoyed the lovely gifts she made and gave away. She loved to play bingo and had made many friends.

Marion is survived by her husband Emest Sorrick of Weldon; her son, Michael Currie of New Jersey; daughters Barbara Weaver of Colorado and Jeanie Henry of Oregon; step-daughters Sandra Feldman of Weldon; Janice Bennett of San Marcos; and Shirley Floody of Floriday; 14 grandchildren and six greatgrandchildren.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

### Anyta E. Davies

As requested no services are planned for Anyta Davies, who passed away after a brief illness at home on Thursday, May 9, 1996.

Anyta, a 20-year resident of Lake Isabella, was bom in 1926 at Hannibal, Missouri, and moved to California in 1940. She married in 1954 and lived in the Los Angeles area before moving to Lake Isabella.

A beloved wife, mother, grandmother and friend, she is survived by her husband, Earl Davies, of Lake Isabella; a daughter Debbie Davies of Los Osos; a son and daughter, Greg and Karen Moore, of Santa Maria; a grandson, Sean Moore, also of Santa Maria; a grandson and granddaughter, Chris and Tracy Moore; and great-granddaughter McKenzie Moore, of Puyallop, Washington.

Inumment will take place at Dudley-Hoffman's in Santa Maria at a future date.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

### Joseph L. "George" Arri

Joseph L. "George" Arri, born April 24, 1915, in Rhode Island, passed away at the San Joaquin Hospital in Bakersfield, California, on April 25, 1996, at the age of 81.

George moved with his parents to Pomona, California, at the age of five. He went to school and graduated from the Pomona School District.

He served in the U.S. Navy and was honorably discharged in 1944. After the Navy, George, with his brother Chuck, owned and operated the A & A Towing Service in Pomona for several years.

George loved to fish, so he and his wife Marge moved to Lake Isabella, California, in May of 1980. He was a member of the Eagles Lodge #3156 and the VFW, where he and Marge made many long and lasting friends.

George is suvived by his wife, Margaret "Marge"; two stepsons, Lloydand Jerry Torrey of Pomona; six grandchildren and two greatgrandchildren.

Interment will be at sea by the Neptune Society. Any donations should be made to the American Heart Association.

### **Esther May Hewitt**

Graveside services were held at Hillcrest Memorial Park on Friday, May 10, 1996, at 1:00 p.m. for Esther May Hewitt, age 85. Officiating was Associate Pastor Robert Hardman from the Community Covenant Church of Santa Barbara. Burial followed at Hillcrest Memorial Park in Bakersfield, California.

Esther was born on January 3, 1911, in Napa, California. She was a pilot during World War II, docking ships in the Vallejo port. She had been a resident of Oroville, California, for eight years and a devoted housewife for the past 60 years. Esther passed away from natural causes on May 6, 1996, at the Olive Ridge Care Center. She was predeceased by her husband of 54 years, Clifford, in 1987.

Survivors include her son Robert Hewitt of Oroville, California; son Clifford Hewitt, of Norco, California; brother Roy Standard of Napa, California; six grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

### Frances Belinda Watson

Memorial services will be held at a later date for Frances Belinda Watson of Onyx who passed away on May 16, 1996, in Mt. Mesa. She was bom on January 17, 1911, in lola, Kansas.

She lived most of her life in Kansas and has lived the past three years in the Rancho Sierra area in Onyx. She had a great love for animals, especially her dog. She will be buried in the Gilmore family plot in lola, Kansas.

Frances is survived by her nephews Rollie Hull of Onyx; Robert Hull of Tillanok, Oregon; Charles Richard Gilmore of New Zealand; and Lester Gilmore of Southern California; and several great nieces and nephews.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

#### James Bartley Hoffman

James Bartley Hoffman passed away on Saturday, May 4, 1996, at St. Mary's Hospital in Long Beach, California, after a long battle with cancer.

He was born in Garden Grove, California, on May 29, 1959. He moved to the Kern River Valley, with his parents, Donald C. and Sondra M. Hoffman, and brothers Donald Clayton, Jr., and John P. in 1975. He attended and graduated from Kern Valley High School in 1977. He worked as a cashier, attendant manager at several Arco self-service stations in Bakersfield, while attending Bakersfield College part-time, studying accounting. After several years, he moved to the Long Boach area to study and become a cosmetologist. He studied at "Flavio Beauty Colleges," and became an instructor. His health began to fade, and he became selfemployed, to enable him to work as much as he was able to.

Jim enjoyed fishing as his favorite sport and hobby. He spent many pleasant times fishing the Kem River and Isabella Lake. In addition to his parents and brothers, Jim is survived by his sister-in-law Johnel Trotter Hoffman of Wofford Heights; grandmother Mardie Hall of Northridge, California; godparents Fred T. and Joan Andree of Reseda, Califomia; and numerous loving cousins, aunts, uncles and friends.

Arrangements were handled by the Cremation Society of the South Bay in Redondo Beach, California. The family plans a private ceremony on May 29, 1996, to remember Jim on what would have been his 37th birthday.

Maxine Lola Kanyuck

Maxine Lola Kanyuck entered eternal lite on May 14, 1996, in Corona, California, where she had been a patient at the Life Care Center for a number of weeks.

Maxine was bom on January 29, 1918, in Fyie, Alabama to William and Lola Livingston, receiving her education there. She later moved to Baltimore, Maryland, then to Arizona, and in 1961, to Orange County, California, where she met George Kanyuck.

George and Maxine settled in Lakewood, where he worked for Northrup Aircraft and Maxine worked as an electronic production planner for Hughes Aircraft. They began to visit the Kem River Valley on weekends and moved here to Weldon upon retirement in 1978.

Maxine leaves her beloved husband, George; two daughters Joan Dicosdo of San Diego and Doscine! Ferguson of Spokane, Washington; plus four grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

A graveside service was held at Kern River Valley Cemetery on Saturday, May 18, 1996.

Arrangments entrusted to the care of the Lake Isabella Funeral Home, the Bonewell family, a Golden Rule Funeral Home.

### Delmar Stanley Hayes

Delmar Stanley Hayes, age 78, of Wofford Heights, passed away at his Wofford Heights residence on April 30, 1996. Mr. Hayes was an electrical contractor for 23 years.

He is survived by his wife Georgia of Wofford Heights; son and daughter-in-law Chuck and Nikki Hayes of Mt. Shasta; son and daughter-in-law Russell and Margo Hayes of Santa Barbara; and daughter and son-in-law Charlyn and Frank Krammer of Bakersfield; grandchildren Alica, Vicki and Christopher. Mr. Hayes was a greatgrandfather and a great-greatgrandfather. Other survivors include his step-son Steven Horgan; step-daughter Billie Jean Lofty; grandson George; and brother Darrell Hayes of Cypress, Califomia.

Memorial services were held Thursday, May 9, 1996, at the Kem River Valley Masonic Lodge in Kernville at 11:00 a.m.

Hillcrest Mortuary was in charge of the arrangements.

Herbert Mason Reynolds, Sr.

Herbert Mason Reynolds, age 83, of 61 Wildwood Drive, Wofford Heights, California, died at 1:38 a.m., Tuesday, May 14, 1996, of cancer at the Kern Valley Hospital. Services were held at 10 a.m. on Saturday, May 18, 1996, at the Highland Chapel United Methodist Church in

Lake Isabella, California.

"Herb" was born in Millerton, lowa, on July 24 - the day you plant turnips back in Iowa, he always said - in 1912, the year the luxury liner Titanic struck an iceberg and sank. "Herb" did much better than the mighty, powerful and unsinkable luxury liner that sank on its maiden voyage taking most of the people it was responsible for down with it. He faced the storms and hidden icebergs of life with a steady hand, strong heart and even witty nature from the day he was born of the union of Perry James Reynolds and Nora Elizabeth Mason, his mother and father. He was one of their eleven children.

married Marybelle Friedmeyer of Des Moines, Iowa, on May 2, 1936, and they raised three sons. The boys were sure that he was unsinkable as he prepared them to face life's responsibilities. But they also found from the written word of God that "To every thing there is a sesaon, and a time to every purpose under the heaven: A time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up that which is planted;" and "All go unto one place; all are of the dust, and all turn to dust again." The Titanic's hull is rusting at the bottom of cold waters of the North Sea having failed in her responsibilities. On the other hand, we all know that "Herb" has fulfilled his responsibilities as God has intended and has gone to a far better resting place.

"Herb" lived 41 years in lowa, and 42 years in California, and made many journeys between the two. He will make his last trip back to be laid to rest next to Marybelle who preceded him in 1985. A graveside memorial will be held at 2:00 p.m., May 25, 1996, at the Rest Haven Cemetery in West Des Moines, lowa. He lost a son, James Fredrick, in a tragic accident in 1974 who remains at peace in California. He lost his second spouse, Majetta "Midge" Lozier in 1990, a long time family friend. She is at peace in Des Moines also.

He was also preceded in death by his mother, father and three sisters Evah, Ruby and Nina, as well as a brother, Woodrow, all of

lowa.

Survivors are two of his sons, Donald of Garden Grove, California; and Herbert, Jr. of Wofford Heights, California; four of his brothers, Everett of Greeley, Colorado; Horatio "Ray" of Silver Spring, Maryland; Darrell of Lenox, lowa; Francis of Des Moines, Iowa; and two sisters Ruth Adam of Pocatello, Idaho; and Imogene Miller of Corning, Iowa. Also six grandchil-

dren and four great-grandchildren. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.



Geraldine Evangeline Soto

Geraldine Evangeline Soto was born on April 25, 1911, to American Indian parents. She was very proud of her heritage. "Beadie" as she was known to all of us, was preceded in death by two sisters, Victoria Bates and Isabel White; a daughter Viola DeLa Rosa and a grandson Wayne "Hoot" Allen Phelan.

Survivors are husband Manuel Soto; sons Joseph Gomez Jr., Manuel Jr., Gilbert, Ronald, Leslie and Wade Soto, and their respective wives; daughters Esther Warnock, Gladys Galvan and Sandra Parker, and their respective husbands. She also left behind 35 grandchildren and numerous greatgrandchildren.

Beadie was a resident of Simi Valley for over 50 years. She was a frequent visitor to our Kern River Valley and loved the area. Her last wishes were to bring her ashes back to the valley. She will be greatly missed by all. Love you, Ma.

Davis T. Loyd

Private arrangements were made for Davis T. Loyd who passed away on May 18, 1996 in Bakersfield, California. Mr. Loyd was bom on August 10, 1907 in Hardy, Arkansas and has been a resident of the Kem River Valley for the past 18 years.

He was a member of the Masonic Lodge #827 and the Shriners, and the Scottish Rite, VFW and Retired Federal Employees, also the Friends of the Library and the

Historical Society.

Davis is survived by his wife, Irma Coker-Loyd; his niece Mary Ann Brewer of Morro Bay, Califomia; and nephew Mike Peters of Newberry Park, California. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

### Delbert "Tex" Hooper

A graveside service was held on Tuesday, May 21, 1996, at 11:00 a.m. at Hillcrest Memorial Park for Delbert Hooper, age 83, who passed away on May 16, 1996, in Bakersfield.

Delbert was born in McKinney, Texas, on August 12, 1912. He moved to Kern County in 1976 and has spent the last 20 years in the Kem River Valley, living in Wof-

ford Heights.

He is survived by his three daughters: Beckie Scott and her husband Tomof Bakersfield; Kathy Pettit of Bakersfield; and Pat McCall of Norwalk; one son Delbert Donald Hooper and his wife Hedy of Corpus Christi, Texas; nine grandchildren and numerous great-grandchildren.

Delbert "Tex" Hooper was preceded in death by his wife Bertha Hooper. He will be greatly missed by his family and all who knew him.

Hillcrest Memorial Park and Mortuary Funeral Directors of Bakersfield.

Florence Bushfield Kennelty

Florence Bushfield Kennelty entered eternal life on May 22, 1996. She was born May 19, 1919 to Joseph and Tillio Buchfield in Latrobe, Pennsylvania, where she received her schooling. She was married September 13, 1941 in Cumberland, Maryland to Frank Kennelty. Frank preceded Florence in death on January 24 of this year. Florence and Frank moved to the lake area in 1967. She worked as an RN at the Kem Valley Hospital. She enjoyed reading and loved her hobby of making latch-hook rugs. She adored her cat, Morris, and loved to spend time with him.

She is survived by her son Frank and his wife Tonia of Bakersfield; 2 grandsons, Travis of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and Nick of Bakersfield; also one sister, Naomi Steele of Latrobe, Pennsylvania. A memonal service was held on Tuesday, May 28, 1996, in the Rose Chapel of the Lake Isabella Funeral Home. Florence will be missed by all who knew and loved her.

Services were entrusted to the Bonewell family of the Lake Isabella Funeral Home, a Golden Rule Funeral Director.

### **Oathy Garland Horne**

Oathy Garland "Dub" Home, age 92, passed away in Kern Valley Hospital on May 14, 1996. Dub was born in McGregor, Texas, on January 31, 1904. He retired in 1966 from Southern Californian Edison Company after 24 years as a service repairman. He moved to Kern County in 1980 and had lived in Mountain Mesa the past 16 years. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge.

Dub is survived by his daughter and son-in-law, Jane and Art Tibbetts of Squirrel Valley; grand-daughters Patty Siler of Stateline, Nevada; Penny Vieau of Abilene, Texas; and Carla Fulton of Sebastabol, California; and two great-grandchildren, Ashlee and Connor Vieau. He was preceded in death by his wife, Mattie Bickel.

There will be no services at the request of the deceased.

Arrangements were entrusted to the Bonewell family of the Lake Isabella Funeral Home, a Golden Rule Funeral Director.



### Edward Kenneth Janssen

EdwardJanssen enteredinto eternal rest on Memorial Day, Monday, May 27, 1996, at his home in Lake Isabella. He was 89 years of age.

He was bom in lowa City, lowa, on January 27, 1907, to Richard and Enga Janssen. Edward received his education in Wellsburg, lowa, graduating from Wellsburg High School, where he was a star bastketball player. He attended four years of college in the state of lowa.

Edward came to California in 1940 and settled in Altadena. He married his lovely wife, the former Esther Marie Carpenter in Las Vegas, Nevada. He played professional basketball for a time, earning \$25 per game, somewhat less than professionals earn today.

He had a career in law enforcement and security. He retired from Hughes Aircraft as a security officer in 1967 and they moved to Lake Isabella in 1969. Edward was also involved as a professional bowler in the senior division of bowling.

Edward is survived by his wife, Esther; son, Charles Janssen of Nevada, Iowa; six grandchildren; three greatgrandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews. A daughter, Lenore Torrence preceded him in death. At his request, there were no memorial services. Inumment was private.

Arrangements were entrusted to the care of the Lake Isabella Funeral Home, the Bonewell family, a Golden Rule Funeral Director

Marguerite Chappell

Marguerite Chappell passed away early in the morning of May 31, 1996. She was 94 years old. Bom on August 9, 1901, to Robert and Laura Palmer in Porterville, California, Marguerite moved to Kemville in 1904. She attended school through the eighth grade in both Kemville and South Fork.

Walter married She Alexander in 1919 and they lived at the Weldon store, which is still standing next to the South Fork School in Weldon. Walter ran the store there and met with an accident in 1933. He had loaned a gun to a friend who was returning it, when it fired striking Walter, causing his death. Marguerite became Postmaster in Weldon from 1941-1946 and raised her children alone until her marriage to William Daniel Chappell in 1944.

Survivors include her husband, William Chappell; along with her son Leonard Alexander of Weldon; and daughter Anette Staats of Twin Oaks, California. Her daughter Marjorie Mechamprecededher in death. Marguerite is also survived by 12 grandchildren; eight greatgrandchildren; and her sister Virginia Rhoades, who has owned and operated Paul's Place in Weldon for the past 55 years.

Marguerite could tell many stories concerning the early days of this area. She used to play around an old oak tree which still stands above the new part of the Kern River Valley Cemetery in Wofford Heights. She also told how she would hear the bells on her father's team of horses thus knowing her father was retuming home with his wagon. She related that many Chinese miners were buried at the old cemetery and how they would place food on the graves at Christmas time. Most, if not all of them, have been returned to China.

She would tell of how her

father would run cattle up along the Kem River above Kernville. She often went along with him, staying overnight along the river. Her father owned the Palmer Ranch in Weldon which still exists today. Marguerite was known as the Mountain Lady and she loved her flowers. She was from the old stock of those who worked hard all their lives. She will be greatly missed by all whose lives she touched.

Services were held graveside at the old Kem Valley Cemetery on June 4, 1996, at 11:30 a.m. Pastor Floyd Castillo officiating.

Arrangements were entrusted to the care of the Bonewell family of the Lake Isabella Funeral Home, a Golden Rule Funeral Home.

### Valda Lois Logan

Valda was born February 2, 1917, in Allison, lowa, the last of seven children born to Elias Garfield and Emma Louise (Hoffman) Willis. She passed away on May 6, 1996, at Kern Valley Hospital in Mountain Mesa, California, due to complications resulting from a stroke suffered in the early morning hours on May 5.

She was preceded in death by her loving husband and companion of 54 years, John W. "Bud" Logan in 1994, she is survived by her devoted son Jonathan and daughter-in-law Betty of Kemville; her adoring granddaughter Valda Marie and her husband FC2 Brian James Milam, USN, whose love and attentiveness she treasured: and great-grandson Jonathan James, who was indeed the apple of his Nanna's eye and the source of her greatest happiness and pleasure, all of Port Hueneme, California; loving sister-in-law Rose Marie Jeffus of Chatsworth, California; several nieces and nephews and great nieces and great nephews.

Val will be missed by her many friends who were drawn to her by her love for people and life, her fine moral character, loyalty to friends, devotion to family, and quick response and generosity to those in need.

Val's "up and at 'em" attitude about work and her love for animals was due in no small part to her being raised on a farm. She enjoyed relating those experiences, both comical and practical, especially those including her many "adventures" with her Indian pony "Colonel."

She graduated high school in 1935, and later moved to California, where prior to meeting and then marrying John on October 28, 1939, she worked at jobs a bit unusual for most women of that time. One was as an assignment writer for a periodical under her own byline. Another was as a demonstration driver for Sterling Motor Co., taking prospective cus-

tomers out for practical application demos in the big trucks sold for use in earth moving projects. The idea Sterling promoted was "If this lady can handle this big rig..." While not one to either appreciate or participate in self-promoting braggadocio, Val did enjoy relating the experience of how she won a \$100 wager with a member of the Kaiser Steel family that she couldn't drive a Sterling rig up "Sugar Mountain."

During WWII, Val worked in the Aircraft factories. After the war, she was busy with the responsibilities of caring for the newest member of the family.

In early 1951, she returned to the work force with Sears-Roebuck and Co. in San Fernando, California. In 1960, Val began working for Kahr Bearing Corp. as Office Manager. Shortly thereafter, in reviewing the books kept by the previous manager, she located an error in the payment of company taxes amounting to tens of thousands of dollars. While time restrictions did not allow for a full refund, quite a substantial amount was refunded by the IRS.

As Office Manager, she was known for being just as quick to defend one of her staff as she was to make sure everyone completed the work expected of them. She set the example in appearance, manner and professionalism she expected from her staff.

Valwas an optimist who was quick to evaluate situations to see what could be done to improve matters. She would always try to defuse potentially explosive situations but never at the expense of compromising right principle. She was an accomplished conversationalist, always more interested in conversations of substance than gossip.

Having been "weekenders" since the early fifties, after retirement Val and John made Space 15 at Camp James their permanent home. They enjoyed the trips with their many friends in the Kern Valley Rovers RV Club. Val will be remembered for her energy, enthusiasm and her desire to see that a good time was enjoyed by all.

The past three years Val's health had suffered as she struggled with the effects of congestive heart failure, being hospitalized several times as a result of complications from the disease.

Although these problems were a heavy burden, Valnever allowed herself to "give in" to the disease. She was, during this time, as she had been throughout her lifetime, a fine example to all.

There will be a memorial service. The place, date and time are yet to be determined.

### Martha J. Van Benthum

Graveside services were held on Tuesday, June 11, 1996, at 10:00 a.m. in the Kem River Valley Cemetery in Wofford Heights for Martha Joann Van Benthum, age 69, of Lake Isabella, Mr. Steve Brown, a close family friend, officiated.

A 32-year valley resident, Mrs. Van Benthum was born February 24, 1927, in Tampa, Florida, and passed away on Thursday in a Bakersfield hospital. She retired from the U.S. Postal Service in 1980, having workedinthe Lake Isabella Post Office for 10 years.

She had formerly been active in the Ladies of the Elks and also the Ladies of the Moose. She enjoyed fishing, bowling and gardening when

she was able to.

Martha is survived by her son and daughter-in-law, Richard and Patricia Charboneau of Lake Isabella; her grandson, Erick Charboneau; and her brother, George Mansfield of Tampa, Florida; and a host of friends here in the area.

Arrangements by Valley

Judy Saltzgaver

Judy Saltzgaver passed away peacefully at home, June 8, 1996. She was born July 16, 1945, to Jesse and Ursula Elkins in Longview, Washington. Judy married John Saltzgaver, April 13, 1968. Toaether they purchased McNally's Fairview Lodge on the Kern River in 1975 and have been an active part of the community since that time.

Judy is survived by her husband, mother, three sisters, four brothers and their families. Memorial services will be at the Kernville Methodist Church at 11am on Wednesday, June 12th. The family would like to thank the community for their loving support and asks that donations be made to the American Cancer Society in lieu of flowers.

Arrangments made by the Bonewell family, Lake Isabella Funeral Home, a Golden Rule Funeral Director.

#### **George William** Charles

Funeral services were held Thursday, June 6, 1996, at 12:00 p.m. at Rose Hils Memorial Park in Whittier, California, for George William Charles of Bodfish. Mr. Charles was bom on July 25, 1913, in Dallas. Texas, and passed away on May 31, 1996, at his residence in Bodfish.

He has been a resident of the Kern River Valley, which he loved, for more than 25 years. He was a veteran of WWII. He loved to fish and had a lot of friends at the Senior Center and Isabella Market.

George is survived by his

sons, Robert Charles of Bodfish; William Charles of Lake-

wood; Tom Charles of Lake-

wood, Gene Charles of Norco and his daughters, Vicki Sullivan of Norco and Linda Lewis of La Mirada, California; 23 grandchildren; eight greatgrandchildren and one greatgreat-granddaughter.

Arrangements by Valley

Mortuary.

### **Opal Ruby** Christian

Funeral services for Opal Ruby Christian, age 79, of Lake Isabella, will be held at 10:00 a.m. today at the First Baptist Church of Lake Isabella with Pastor David Snow officiating. Burial will follow in the Kem River Valley Cemetery in Wofford Heights.

A 23-year valley resident, Ruby was born September 1, 1916, in Kingsville, Missouri. She was a homemaker and was active in the First Baptist Church with the Women's Bible

Study Group.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Edward in 1985. Survivors include her daughter, Donna Kelpe of Paimdale; her sons, Jerry Christian of Anderson; and Dennis Christian of Spokane, Washington; seven grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Visitation was held on Tuesday from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. at the Valley Mortuary in Lake Isabella:

**Andrew Harry** Malinovszky

Memorial services were held Thursday, June 6, 1996, at 11:00 a.m. at the Weldon Methodist Church for Andrew Harry Malinovszky. Officiating was Rev. Dr. Charles White.

Mr. Malinovszky was born January 15, 1912, in Chicago, Illinois, and passed away on June 3, 1996, in Mt. Mesa, California. He and his wife came to the Kern River Valley 22 years ago after he retired. He has been a member of the

Weldon Methodist Church and did a lot of work on the church including making the Altar Rail and the Sign. He was very devoted to his wife of 64 years

and his family.

He is survived by his wife Jeanette of Weldon; his daughters, Jeanette Petitt of Kansas and Diane Smolinski of Pennsylvania; sietere in law Eugena and Elizabeth of Lake Havasu, Arizona; five grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Arrangements by Valley

Mortuary.

### Lawana Marie Sorenson

Graveside services were held Wednesday, June 5, 1996, at 11:00 a.m. at Kern River Valley Cemetery for Lawana "Lou" Marie Sorenson, Officiating was Pastor Jon Rowe of the Church of Christ in Mt. Mesa. Lou was born September 21, 1931, in Horatio, Arkansas and passed away on June 2, 1996, in Mt. Mesa, California.

She has been a resident of Lake Isabella for 33 years and worked as a waitress and bartender for 30 years. She also was involved with many volunteer organizations in the valley.

Lou is survived by her brother Loyd Crenshaw of Lake Isabella and her sisters, Barbara Colvin and Bess Goodson, both of Bakersfield. Also many nieces and nephews.

Arrangements by Valley

Mortuary.



Kathryn "Kay" E. Simpkins

Funeral services were held Friday, June 14, 1996, at 11:00 a.m. at the Weldon Methodist Church for Kathryn "Kay" E. Simpkins. Officiating was Rev. Dr. Charles White.

Kay, beloved wife, mother, nurse, teacher and mentor, went home to heaven on June 10, 1996. She was born and raised in Canton, Ohio. The family moved to California in 1979. She was a resident of Weldon for the last nine years.

She worked as a nurse at Long Beach Community Hospital in the Oncology Ward for nine years; then as a nurse and head of staff development at Kem Valley Hospital, Kay was an active member at the Weldon Methodist Church and the community at large.

Kay Simpkins was preceded in death by her mother, Kathryn L. Fuller. She is survived by her husband, Charles L. Simpkins Jr.; sons, Charles, James and Joshua; daughters, Kathryn Rowe and Christine Love; father, John D. Fuller; brothers, John D. Fuller and Charles W.

Fuller; grandchildren, Sarah and Daniel Simpkins, Morgan and Sean Love, Paul and Samantha Rowe; daughtersin-law, Kathryn Simpkins and Carla Simpkins; son-in-law, Chris Rowe; sisters-in-law, Rickie Fuller and Anita Fuller, nieces, nephews, co-workers and friends all over the valley.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

### Dennis Wayne Court

Dennis Wayne Court entered eternal life on June 10, 1996, as the result of injuries suffered in a motorcycle accident in the Kern Canyon.

He was the fourth child of John Court and Stella Littlefield Court, born on September 22, 1936, in Rochester, New Hampshire. He lived in Southberwick, Maine, prior to coming to California, settling in the South Bay area.

He and his wife, Marjorie, moved to the lake area two years ago and Dennis pursued his hobbies of prospecting and jewelry making. Prior to moving to Wofford Heights, Dennis worked as a pipefitter in the oil refinery business.

Dennis is survived by his wife Marjorie; four sons in the New England area; and one daughter in Orange County, California. He also leaves two brothers, Tracy and Craig Court.

Arrangements were entrusted into the care of the Bonewell family, Lake Isabella Funeral Home, a Golden Rule Funeral Director.

### **Thornton Buddy** Von Der Ahe

A memorial service for Thomton Buddy Von Der Ahe will be held Saturday, June 22,

1996, at 11:30 a.m. at Rose Chapel at Lake Isabella Funeral Home, with a luncheon following at the Lake Isabella Moose Lodge. Bud passed away on June 6, 1996, at the home of his daughter, Darlene, in Sylmar, California.

Thornton was born to Frederick and Clare Von Der Ahe on August 20, 1912, in Los Angeles, California. Bud married Vyrla "Cisco" Jackson in 1933. He was appointed to the Los Angeles County Fire Department in 1935 and after serving 33 years, retired in 1967. Bud and Cisco moved to Wofford Heights in 1980 where they were active in the Rod and Gun Club and the Kern Valley Moose.

Cisco passed away in 1986. Bud met Mattie Williams in 1986 and they were married in 1988. Bud and Mattie loved to dance and would go to the Moose every chance they had. They bowled in a local league and like to go to Las Vegas and Laughlin. They also loved to travel and did so quite a lot.

Budgave up fishing and boating in 1984 after driving his truck into the lake. Friends and family never let him forget that onel

He is survived by his wife, Mattie, of Wofford Heights; his son Ronald of Bodfish; daughter Darlene Westman of Sylmar; plus slx grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Services were entrusted to the care of the Bonewell family of the Lake Isabella Funeral Home, a Golden Rule Funeral Director.

#### Louis B. Schuster

Private family services have been held for Louis B. Schuster, age 77, of Kemville. Louis was born on March 12, 1919 in Schenectady, New York, and passed away in a local hospital on June 10, 1996.

He was a retired banker and had lived with his wife of 55 years, Elaine, in Kernville for

10 years.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by his son, Ken Schuster of Van Nuys and Kemville and was preceded in death by his daughter, Barbara, and by a granddaughter, Christy.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary, Lake Isabella.

### Lawrence Eugene Woodward

Larry Woodward was born in Bell, California, on May 7, 1940. He was eight years old when his family moved to Johnsondale, where he spent an idyllic four years running barefoot all over the mountains, which he loved to call "the biggest and best backyard for a kid." He was always trying to catch and ride the wild horses. He never caught one, but he said it was more fun just trying. The garage he and his father built is still there to this day. When he was 12 years old, his family moved to Bass Lake where he graduated from Sierra High School in 1958.

In the following years, he moved to the city, went to hair-dressing school, got married and opened a beauty salon. He had a daughter who adored him. Larry had a role in a major motion picture and also became a gourmet cook. He always enjoyed throwing dinner parties for his many friends. He was a classic movie buff and loved to attend Broadway plays.

Larry worked as a beautician in Upland, California, where all of his family lived. They went on camping vacations all over California and Mexico, including many rafting and tubing trips on the Kern River. He was often featured in his local newspaper for the elaborate costumes he designed and wore to entertain emotionally and physically handicapped children and fundraisers for many other charities.

When he received the news that his sister was widowed, he went to live with her and her daughter in Bakersfield and together they decided to move back to the mountains he called home. They became host and hostess of several campgrounds between Kernville and Johnsondale. He was known for his blue golfcart and all the wild and abandoned cats they rescued from the campgrounds. He was also recog-

nized for his beautiful vegetable and flower gardens for which he received an award at the Mt. Mesa Faire. In 1993, he purchased land in Kelso Valley and remained there until his passing with his sister at his side.

Larry was a man who was good of heart and pure of soul. The lessons of life he taught his daughter were to help those less fortunate than yourself, never be cruel and to smile. He always appreciated the simple things in life; watching the sunnise, admiring the wildflowers in spring, and enjoying the company of those he cherished. Everyone whose life he touched knows how special a man he was.

He is survived by his beloved daughter, Heather Elizabeth Schmitt of Bakersfield and his sister Elizabeth Woodward of Weldon.

Arrangements were entrusted to the care of the Bonewell family, Lake Isabella Funeral Home, a Golden Rule Funeral Director.

### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19, 1996

### Donald Simeon Barnes

Donald Simeon Barnes passed away on May 9, 1996, at the age of 49. Born in Long Beach, California, he spent most of his life in the Kem River Valley.

Donnie was employed with the Kern County Fire Department for 25 years, retiring in 1994. Always active in sports and coaching, he also loved outdoor life, especially fishing.

He was preceded in death by his daughter, Olivia Jean, and by his father, Simeon C. Barnes. He is survived by his wife, Barbara; son, Kevin, of Wyoming; son, Robert, of Indiana; sons, Roger and Dustin, of San Luis Obispo; and mother, Oleta, of Arizona.

A memorial services was held on May 13, 1996 at the Kern River Valley Cemetery with John Carpenter of the Kemville United Methodist Church officiating.

### Warren Lane Stewart

A mass of Christian burial was said at the San Femando Mission in San Femando on Friday, June 14, 1996, at 10:00 a.m. for Warren Lane Stewart, age 79, of Lake Isabella. Interment followed at the San Fernando Mission Cemetery. Officiating was Rev. James Blantz.

A 30-year Kern River Valley resident, Mr. Stewart passed away at the Kern Valley Hospital after a lingering illness. He was born February 9, 1917 in Kansas City, Kansas and resided in the Midwest until World

War II at which time he enlisted in the U.S. Army and served for three-and-one-half years being discharged with the rank of First Sergeant.

A skilled cement mason, he was a member of Local #893 in Burbank for over 40 years. During this period, he also served as an assistant business agent for a short time. He was very active in community affairs, particularly after he and his wife moved to the Kem River Valley. He was the prime founder and first president of the Lake Isabella and Bodfish HomeOwners Association, and was associated with numerous other associations.

He will best be remembered for his outstanding attitude, his friendliness and his love of life

and people.

He is survived by his wife of 50 years, Mary Jane Stewart, of Lake Isabella; his son from a previous marriage, Warren Stewart, Jr. of Paducah, Kentucky; his brothers, Gene Stewart, of La Center, Kentucky, and Malcolm Stewart, of Barlow, Kentucky; and four grandchildren.

Arrangements entrusted to the care of Valley Mortuary of

Lake Isabella.

### James Harry Duncan

James Harry Duncan, age

79, passed away on May 28, 1996, at Kem Valley Hospital Skilled Nursing Center. He was born in Indianapolis, Indiana, on April 13, 1917.

Jim retired from Rockwell International, Heloved the Kern River Valley and lived here for 29 years. He always referred to this as "God's Country."

He is survived by his wife of 27 years, Iris Lura Duncan; children Gail L. Blackwell and James "Butch" Duncan; stepsons Robert L. Edwards and William L. Edwards; 15 grand-children and nine great-grand-children.

Jim requested that there be no services or memorials. He was buried at Kem River Valley Cemetery.

Arrangements were handled by Valley Mortuary of Lake isabella.

### Elizabeth Plimmer

Elizabeth Plimmer entered into etemal rest mid-morning June 19, 1996, at the Skilled Nursing Center, Kern Valley Hospital, where she has been for the past few years. She was 105 years of age. Elizabeth was a model patient and loved by all

She was born in England on February 13, 1891, and came to the United States when she was 29 years old, in 1920. Elizabeth was a housewife for 82 years. She first lived in Detroit and Cincinnati until 1963, at which time she retired in Florida until 1973 when she came to California, settling in San Pedro. She came to the lake area in 1984.

Elizabeth was very active. She loved to dance at the Moose Lodge and the Elks, and was a member of both. She served as Matron of Honor at her son Raymond's wedding in 1990.

She is survived by her son Raymond Plimmer of Wofford Heights. A second son, Alfred, preceded her in death.

Elizabeth will be greatly missed, especially by her nurses who provided such excellent care of her for the past few years.

Arrangements were entrusted to the care of the Bonewell family of Lake Isabella Funeral Home, a Golden Rule Funeral Director.

# In memory of Avelino (Albert) Garcia

In memory of our dearest brother, Avelino (Albert) Garcia, on his 84th birthday:

In his lonely grave is the one we love so dearly, whorn we never said "Good-bye." Peaceful be your sleep, dear brother, in life we loved you dearly, in

death we do the same.

Our hearts are filled with sadness as we drop a silent tear. You are gone, but not forgotten, nor shall you ever be.

Éternal rest.

Christine, Josephine, Joey, "Cookie" Ray

### Memorial service scheduled for Valda Lois Logan

The family of Valda Lois Logan would like to extend a warm invitation to all her friends and acquaintances to attend a memorial service for Val at the Oddfellows Hall in Kernville. The service will be held on Saturday, July 13, 1996, at 2:30 p.m.

A pot luck will follow in memory of Val and the pleasure she always derived from seeing friends get together and enjoy one another's company while sharing a meal.

she could not master, though, was learning to play the game UNO. Ursula was an associate member of the Kern River Valley Arnateur Radio Club and loved to travel, worldwide.

In addition to her husband, Herbert, Ursula leaves behind onedaughter, Karen Avery; and son-in-law Paul; plus two grandchildren, Jennifer and Brian, all of Gardena, Califomia.

Funeral services were hold Wednesday, June 19, 1996, at Highland Chapel, United Methodist Church of Lake Isabella with Pastor Floyd Castillo officiating

Arrangements were entrusted to the care of the Bonewell family of Lake Isabella Funeral Home, a Golden Rule Funeral Director.

### **Ursula Mueller**

Ursula Mueller (nee Lutter) was born in Berlin, Germany, on May 10, 1920. She lived there until she was nine years old. She then moved to the United States where she completed her education. In June 1939, she moved back to Berlin with her parents. In 1947, her future husband, Herbert Mueller, replaced her at her job at the Templehof Air Force Base. They were married in 1949 in Germany. In 1950, Ursula returned to the United States. After living in Denver, Colorado, they moved to Hawthorne, California, in 1951, and eventually moved to Inglewood and Harbor City. After Herbert retired in 1989, they moved to Wofford Heights.

Úrsula loved to sew and enjoyed photography. One thing

#### Paul S. Wenstrand

Paul S. Wenstrand was born on January 29, 1912, to Reverend J. Oscar and Linda A. Wenstrand in Albert City, Iowa. He passed away on June 19, 1996, at his home in Denair, California.

Mr. Wenstrand was a faithful husband, devoted father and grandfather. He was a farmer, small businessman for 40 years as a Texaco Distributor, dairyman, and cattle breeder. He served on the Denair Unified School Board for 17 years, many of which he was president. Mr. Wenstrand was a member of the Turlock Covenant Church and served on several church boards, including the Beulah Covenant Board of Trustees. He was a member of the Turlock Emanuel Hospital Board, Bethany Home Board and a charter member of the Denair Volunteer Fire Department. He was a member of the Chamber of Commerce and the Denair Community Services District. Mr. Wenstrand was also active with the Kern Valley FFA Boosters Club.

Mr. Wenstrand is survived by his wife of 56 years, Doris; a brother, Harold; a sister, Arlene Baumann; children: Arlo and wife Jan; Donald and wife Alison; Mary and husband Robert Moore; Gerald and wife Carol; and seven grandchildren: Linda Griesser, Scott Wenstrand, Grant Wenstrand, Colin Wenstrand, Leisa Wenstrand, Matthew Wenstrand, and James Moore.

Although Mr. Wenstrand never resided in the Kern River Valley, he spent the last 20 years visiting here whenever possible. He made many friends and acquaintances.

Inmemory, a memorial scholarship fund has been estab-

lished in his honor through the Kern Valley FFA Boosters.

### Lena Mae Edwards

Private arrangements were made for Lena Mae Edwards who passed away on June 26, 1996, in Bakersfield, California. Lena was born on October 11, 1948, in Los Angeles, California. She spent most of her life in the Kern River Valley and attended high school here. A memorial service will be held at a later date.

She is survived by her husband, Benny Edwards, of Lake Isabella; daughters, Gina, Christina and Linda Edwards, of Lake Isabella; sisters, Jeannie Tate and Mary Cullen, both of Bakersfield; brothers, Gary Thomas of Bodfish, and Robert Cullen of Bakersfield; and her mother, Anna Inez Thomas of Bakersfield, Califomia.

Arrangements by. Valley Mortuary.

### Paul E. Stanley

Paul E. Stanley was born on October 14, 1912, in Riverside, California, and passed away on June 23, 1996, at home in Wofford Heights after a bout with cancer. He was 83, a native of Riverside, California, where he spent most of his life before retiring to the Kern River Vallev

in October 1971.

He was a member of the Riverside Police Department for 31 years retiring in October 1971 as Assistant Chief of Police. He was president of the Riverside Peace Officers Association in 1969.

Paul was a veteran of World War II, serving in the U.S. Navy from 1943-1946. He was a member of the Retired Public Employees Association, Lake Isabella Chapter, as well as the Retired Peace Officers Association of California and the Public Employees Association of Riverside County.

He is survived by his wife, Iris, of 37 years; and nieces and nephews in Riverside and Clearlake, California, also Minnesota and Wisconsin.

At his request there will be no funeral. Any donations to the Cancer Association in his name would be appreciated.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.



### Hattie Edna Howell

A memorial service will be held Saturday, July 13, 1996, at 11:30 a.m. at Valley Mortuary Chapel for Hattie Edna Howell. Officiating will be Pastor Deryl Lackey of the Mt. View Southern Baptist Church and the Ladies of the Moose.

Hattie was born December 28, 1905 in Estel Springs, Tennessee, and passed away on June 29, 1996, in Mt. Mesa, California. She was a resident of the Kern River Valley for the past five years and a member of

the Moose Lodge.

She is survived by her son and daughter-in-law, James and Beverly Phillips of Lakewood, California; her brothers, John Rightmire of Florida and Lee .:Rightmire of Tennessee; her sister, Lois Trotter of Wofford Heights; granddaughters and their husbands, Hollie and Don Kidwell of Virginia; Heidi and Richard Moe of Virginia; and Heather and Bryan Halliday of Redondo Beach, California. Also surviving are her nieces, Johnel Trotter Hoffman and husband Clay of Wofford Heights; Lucretia and Mike Chmielewski and son John; Vickie Lester and sons AJ and Eddie from El Segundo, California; Roselle and Adele Turner of Florda; and other relatives in Oregon, Tennessee, Florida and California. She will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved her.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

**Betty Mae Petty** 

Betty Mae Petty was born to Arthur and Pearl Brocket in Moneta, California, on November 17, 1925. She entered into eternal rest on the afternoon of June 28, 1996 at the Kern Valley Hospital, Mt. Mesa.

She received her elementary schooling in various cities in Southern California and graduated from high school in El

Monte.

Betty met Charles (Chuck) Petty while he was on leave from the Navy, in El Monte, where on October 1, 1944, they were married.

She loved to crochet and knit and enjoyed working jigsaw puzzles. Her rose garden was on of her greatest joys.

Betty is survived by her husband, Chuck, of Wofford Heights; three sons, Rodney Hamilton Petty of Moab, Utah; Timothy Allen Petty of Wilseyville, California; and Stephen Howland Petty of Orsie, California. Also surviving Betty are her two sisters, Kathrine Tupling of Bakersfield and Doris Barber of Hesperia, California; nine grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Services were held on Wednesday, July 3, 1996 at 11:00 a.m. at the First Baptist Church of Kernville with Pastor Dick Lewis and former Pastor John Revis officiating. Private burial followed.

Betty will be greatly missed by her family and friends.

Services were entrusted to the care of the Bonewell family of Lake Isabella Funeral Home, a Golden Rule Funeral Director.

#### Julia E. Johnson

Julia Johnson was born November 5, 1917, to Clyde and Nora Slocum in Topeka, Kansas. She entered eternal life on July 5, 1996, in Victorville, California, at the age of 78. A graveside service was held at the Kem River Valley Cemetery at 11:00 a.m. Wedhesday, July 10, 1996. Eulogy was given by her grandson, Bobby Walden.

She was retired from Kern County and was a resident of the valley area for 25 years. She moved to the valley from El Segundo. Julia was a member of the Ladies of the Moose. Her family could talk to her about anything and she understood and would encourage them.

Julia is survived by daughters, Carol Sargent and Geraldine Reese; a brother Vernon Slocum of Gardena, California; nine grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild. She will be greatly missed by her family and all who knew her.

Arrangements were made by the Bonewell family of the Lake Isabella Funeral Home, a Golden Rule Funeral Director.

### **Frances Clack**

Private arrangements were made for Frances Clack who passed away on Saturday, July 6, 1996, at her home. She was bom in Los Angeles, California, in June 1929. She was an eighth generation Californian and a resident of Kernville for the past year.

Frances is survived by her husband of 47 years, Richard Clack, of Kernville; son and daughter-in-law, Robert and Margie Clack, of Kernville; son and daughter-in-law, John and Hope Clack, of Los Angeles; and son, Christopher Clack, of Texas.

Her epitaph and eulogy was, "She loved and was loved. No one could ask for more."

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

### Edna Marie Owens

Edna Marie Owens entered eternal rest at her residence in Bodfish on July 7, 1996, at the age of 75. She was born on September 13, 1920, to Lawrence and Julia Temple in Worchester, Massachusetts.

The family moved to California when she was five years old and she received her schooling in the Los Angeles area, graduating from Washington High School. Edna was employed by the Thrifty Drug Stores for 30 years. She was widowed and moved to the lake area in 1980 to be near her only son, Michael Scott Owens, of Bodfish.

Edna dedicated her life to being a first class mom. At her request, no services were held and interment was private.

Arrangements were entrusted to the care of the Bonewell family of Lake Isabella Funeral Home, a Golden Rule Funeral Director.

### Robert L. "Buffalo Bob" Maughmer

The life of Robert L. "Buffalo Bob" Maughmer was celebrated at a memorial service on Tuesday, July 16, 1996, at 6:00 p.m. on the patio area of the old Onyx store on Highway 178 in Onyx. Pastor John Carpenter of the Kernville United Methodist Church officiated along with many of Bob's friends. A potluck dinner followed.

A 10-year Kern River Valley resident, Bob was born February 12, 1940 in Chillicothe, Ohio, and passed peacefully from this life, surrounded by his wife and friends on Thursday evening, July 11, 1996, at his home after a short but gallant fight with cancer. He was a 22-1/2 year veteran of the U.S. Navy.

After moving to the valley in 1986, Bob became involved in many community activities. He was an active member and served on the board of directors of the Wofford Heights Improvement Group and served as Marshal of Early California Days. He was active in supporting the Kid's Fishing Derby and was always willing to help any organization with different types of fund raising or any type of activity that would benefit the kids anywhere in the Kern River Valley.

Bob is survived by his wife, Sharon, of Onyx; his children, Robert Lee of South Carolina; Pamela and Penny Lee of North Carolina; his step-children, Robert Bryson, Steven Bryson and Tina Bryson of Virginia; his sister, Kathy Perez of Riverside; an aunt, Mary Johnson of Arizona; six grandchildren and a host of friends.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Heart House, in care of Bakersfield Memorial Hospital, 420 34th St., Bakersfield, CA 93301.

Arrangements entrusted to the care of Valley Mortuary of Lake Isabella.

### Elizabeth Eastenes

Elizabeth Eastenes, age 75, entered into eternal rest on July 4, 1996. She and her husband and their good friends, Wayne and Dorothy Weiler, were on a trip to Yerington, Nevada, where she was stricken by a stroke. She was flown to Bakersfield San Joaquin Hospital where she passed away.

She was born to Ralph and Martha Jackson on August 8, 1920, in Atlanta, Georgia. She received her education in Atlanta before moving to Los Angeles, California, where she met Joe Eastenes. The were going to visit Atlanta and were married on December 16, 1961 on their way.

After their honeymoon, they moved to Inglewood, California, where she worked for Air Research Corporation (now Allied Signal) and she remained there until her retirement in 1968. She and her husband, Joe, came to the lake area in 1972.

Joe has known Wayne Weiler for 70 years and they were best friends; when both Joe and Wayne married, their wives became very close friends also. The two couples did most of their activities together, hence the trip to Yerington.

Elizabeth was a member of TOPS and held the position of weight recorder for the organization.

She is survived by her loving husband, Joe. She will be greatly missed by all who loved and knew her.

No services were held and inurnment will be private.

Arrangements were entrusted to the care of the Bonewell family of Lake Isabella Funeral Home, a Golden Rule Funeral Director.

### Jacqueline Irene Grothe

Jacqueline Irene entered into eternal rest on July 2, 1996, at the Kern Valley Hospital. She was 71 years of age. Jacqueline was born to Hollis and Hazel Roland in Corning, lowa on November 16, 1925. She received her schooling in Com-

She and Leonard (Lee) Grothe were married in Los Angeles, California, in 1947. Lee and Jacqueline moved originally to the lake area in 1971 where she worked as head cook for the Kern Valley Hospital. They moved back to the Los Angeles area in 1979 where she worked as receptionist for the Ventura Star Free Press. They returned to the valley a few years later and remained here.

Jacqueline was a talented artist and loved to paint. She was a member of the Art Guild. She was a person who was always concerned for others and throughout her long illness, never complained, according to long-time friend, Jack Dilley.

She is survived by her husband, Lee; son, John Douglas Grothe, of Henderson, Nevada; step-daughter Donna Lee Bartosch, of Phoenix, Arizona; brother John Roland of Camarillo, California; and one grandchild.

At her request, no services were held. Interment was private.

Arrangements were entrusted to the care of the Bonewell family of Lake Isabella Funeral Home, a Golden Rule Funeral Director.

Virgil E. Kerr

Virgil E. Kerr, age 76, of Rogers, Arkansas, died Thursday, July 4, 1996, at Saint Mary's Memorial Hospital in Rogers. He was born February 20, 1920 in Cardwell, Missouri, the son of William Thomas Kerr and Mary Elizabeth Hagan Kerr.

He was a carpenter, and worked for Lucky Stores in Orange County, California. He moved to Rogers in November of 1991 from Lake Isabella.

He is survived by his wife, Wilma, of the home; one son, Dennis Kerr, of Hendrix, Oklahoma; one daughter, Carol Ward, of Temecula, California; three stepdaughters, Judy Maedgen of Bruceville, Texas; Sharon Evans of Riverside, Texas; and Debbie Tobial of Lake Dallas, Texas; two brothers, Jay Kerr of Flint, Michigan; Billy Joe Kerr of Utah, and one beloved sister, Donna Barclay of Las Vegas, Nevada; two grandsons, Matthew Kerr and Gregory Trinkaus; and numerous step-grandchildren; a dear friend, Ray Sanders, of Mountain Mesa, California. He was preceded in death by his first wife, Hazel, of 33 years in 1984

and three brothers, Lyman,

Homer, and Buck Kerr.

Funeral services were held at 10:00 a.m. Saturday, July 6, 1996 at the Callison-Lough Funeral Chapel in Rogers. Interment was at the Benton County Memorial Park Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society, Farmers and Merchants Bank C/O Trish Williams, P.O. Box 250, Rogers, Arkansas 72757.

### Cora Borgney Cooke

Cora B. Cooke was born March 28, 1911, in North Dakota to Gust and Mary Fevog. She entered into eternal rest on July 18, 1996 at her residence in Lake Isabella.

She worked as a hairdresser prior to retiring. She moved to the Kern River Valley from San Gabriel in 1978. She was a member of Ladies of the Moose and enjoyed dancing until she became ill.

Cora's husband and daughter preceded her in death and she is survived by her sister, Gladys Ross of Lake Isabella, and brother Clifford Fevog of San Marcos, California.

### Patricia Jane Moon

A memorial service will be held Wednesday, July 24, 1996, at 2:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church in Lake Isabella for Patricia Jane Moon who entered eternal life at her residence in Weldon on July 15, 1996.

Patricia was born on November 18, 1925 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, to Einar and Martha Haug. She received her schooling in Milwaukee and received her credentials as Registered Nurse at the Milwaukee School

of Nursing.

She married Richard Herbert Moon on August 7, 1948 in Milwaukee and they moved to Southern California in 1959, settling in West Covina for 25 years, where she worked as a Registered Nurse at the Queen of the Valley Hospital. They then moved to San Diego and came to the Kern River Valley seven years ago.

For the past 12 years, she and Herbert were missionaries in Kenya and other parts of East Africa. Patricia also taught in Japan and their last assignment was in Mainland China.

Patricia was a talented artist, preferring to paint in oils, but her best and favorite hobby was that of mother to their seven children.

In addition to her husband Richard, Patricia is survived by her children James Richard Moon of Tiller, Oregon; Charles William Moon, Colorado Springs, Colorado; Kathleen Ann Styffe, San Dimas, California; Thomas Robert Moon, Alta Loma, California; Barbara Stieglitz, Santee, California; Diane Lynn Long, Bennington, Vermont; Stephen John Moon, Livermore, California; and their families which includes 16 grandchild.

Patricia was a real inspiration to all who knew and loved her and will be greatly missed. Arrangements made by the Bonewell Family, Lake Isabella Funeral Home; a Golden Rule Funeral Director.

### Marjory Ethelyn Walton

Marjory Ethelyn Walton, 82, entered eternal rest on Thursday, July 18, 1996 at her home in Riverkern with her husband, Les, at her side.

Marjory was bom to Louis and Minnie Tyrrel on April 19,1914 in Los Angeles, California. She received her schooling in the Los Angeles area and worked as a secretary for the Los Angeles City School District where she met Les Walton. They were married in 1963, and became a blended family with her children and his children merging into one household. They immedately became a loving, happy family.

Marjory and Les did a lot of traveling, which she loved. They enjoyed many cruises and visited New Zealand, Austalia, and Alaska, to name a few. she also enjoyed boating on the Colorado River until her health prevented it. The center of her life was Les and their children. Family meant the world to her.

in addition to her husband Les, Marjory is survived by their children, Wayne Dow of Anzona; Joan Hatcher, San Gabriel, California: Jean Paine, Riverside, California; Fred Dow, Newhall, California; Jerrie McCarthy, Sierra Madre, California; Nancy Caduto, Saugus, California; Leslie Walton, Oregon and Joann Beyer, Seattle, Washington. Plus, sister Leone Henry of Riverkern and sisterin-law Edna Vozza of Palmdale, California, and Elsa Schonberg, Ukiah, California. Eighteen grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews, all of whom will miss her greatly.

At her request, there will be no service and interment will be private. Arrangements were made by the Bonewell Family, Lake Isabella Funeral Home, A Golden Rule Funeral Director.

## William Robert Edwards

Funeral services for William Robert Edwards, 67, of Bod-

fish, was held on Friday, July 19, 1996, at 10:00 a.m. at Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church in Lake Isabella with Dr. Marvin Moon officiating. Interment followed in the Kem River Valley Cemetery, Wofford Heights. Bill was born August 13, 1928 in Adair, lowa where he resided for 27 years. He lived and worked the balance of his life in Bakersfield and Las Vegas, Nevada. He last worked as a terminal plant manager for Witco Corp. He had resided in Bodfish for the last two years.

Survivors include his wife of 45 years, Patricia Louise Edwards; his two children, Larry and Becky Miller, Bill and Sandy Edwards, Bob and Kris Edwards; grandchildren, Robb and Hanah Miller, Sarah, Stacey, Shauna and Seth Edwards; as well as his brothers, John and Darwin Edwards and his sister, Sharon Edwards.

Visitation was on Wednesday from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. and on Thursday from 10 a.m. until 8 p.m. at Valley Mortuary in Lake Isabella.

Arrangements entrusted to the care of Valley Mortuary, Lake Isabella.



### Amanda Kaye Bivins

Graveside services were held Monday, July 29, 1996, at 10:00 a.m. at Kem River Valley Cemetery in Wofford Heights for Amanda Kaye Bivins who passed away Wednesday, July 24, 1996, from complications due to an auto accident in June. Officiating was Pastor Deryl Lackey of Mt. View Southern Baptist Church.

Amanda was born November 18, 1979, in Bakersfield, California, and has lived in Kern County all her life. She was a student at Kern Valley High School, and Captain of the Cheerleading Squad. She was in the FFA and ASB officer and Girl's State Delegate and she would have been the editor of the yearbook. Amanda also worked at the Kern Valley Golf Course and the Masonic Lodge.

She is survived by her parents Gary and Pam Bivins of Lake Isabella and her brothers Travis and Trevor Bivins, also of Lake Isabella; her grandparents, Andy and Arla Gibson of

Lake Isabella and Jim and Gloria Bivins of Golden, Colorado; many aunts and uncles and other relatives and friends who will miss her greatly. She also leaves her dog, Cupcake, and cow, Daisy.

Arrangements were made with Valley Mortuary.

Iris Evelyn Rooney

Iris Evelyn Rooney, 82, of Weldon, entered etemal life at 12:42 p.m. on July 23, 1996, at the Skilled Nursing Center of Kern Valley Hospital. Before her passing, however, her family had the opportunity to enjoy a beautiful dinner with her the previous evening.

She was born in Oak Creek, Arizona, on April 17, 1914, to LeRoy and Ellen Dickinson, where she received her schooling. She moved to Jerome, Arizona and met and married Kennard Conway, who preceded her in death in 1965. They moved to California in 1941 and settled in Avalon Village in Wilmington.

Iris enjoyed a colorful life and had various careers. She first began work as a cosmetologist, then during World War II worked as a welder in the shipyards, became a butcher in a meat market, then was owner of a wholesale egg business. She has been a resident of the Kem River Valley for the past 20 years.

She loved to sew and was an excellent seamstress. She also was a fantastic cook, but her favorite and most successful hobby and her first priority was that of being the greatest mother, which she was.

Iris is survived by her son Ken and wife Linda of Redondo Beach, California; daughter Adel Moon and husband Ken of Weldon; seven grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren. Also, sister Betty Dickenson of San Bemardino, Califomia, and her brother Gene Dickenson of Oregon. She will be greatly missed by her family and all who knew and loved her.

Funeral services were held on Friday, July 26, 1996, at the Rose Chapel at Lake Isabella Funeral Home.

Arrangements made by the Bonewell family of Lake Isabella Funeral Home, a Golden Rule Funeral Director.

Emma June Monninger

Private family services were held for Emma June Monninger, 71, of Lake Isabella. Mrs. Monninger was born in El Monte, California, on May 14, 1925, to Hanna and Chris Laursen who came to America from Denmark by way of the Panama Canal. June passed away on July 18, 1996, at her home.

She was a 1943 graduate of El Monte High School. After World War II, she met James Edward Monninger and they were married in 1947. They settled in Glendora, Califomia, to raise their daughter, Christine. In 1976, Jim and June moved to the Kern River Valley to work as assistant managers of the Lazy River Lodge.

June was preceded in death by her husband Jim. She is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Christine and Arthur Hunter of Weldon; her brothers, Eddy Laursen and Richard Laursen and his wife, Mary; and numerous other family members.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary of Lake Isabella.

### Dorothy Mary Boesen

Dorothy Boesen entered eternal life on July 27, 1996, at the Kem Valley Hospital. Services were held Friday, August 2, 1996, at Rose Chapel, Lake Isabella Funeral Home at 10:00 a.m. with Pastor John Carpenter officiating. A luncheon followed interment at the United Methodist Church in Kemville.

She was bom on January 19, 1914, in Trenton, Missouri, to Jess and Maude Hughes, and received her schooling there. She moved to Long Beach, California, in 1940 and worked in the shipyards during the Second World War then worked for Englander Mattress Company as a seamstress before retiring. She married Carl Boesen in 1958 in Las Vegas and they moved to the Kem River Valley in 1970 where she immediately became active in the community.

Dorothy was a charter member of the Sweet Adelines; Past President of the YODs, Order of the Golden Slipper; a member of the Order of eastem Star; Past President of the Grandmothers Club, and Past President of United Methodist Women. She also was a member of the Wofford Heights Improvement Group and in 1972 was co-chairman of the WHIGs annual Early Califomia Days. Dorothy was an excellent seamstress and enjoyed oil painting

and many crafts. In addition to her husband Carl, Dorothy leaves son Bob Goodloe and wife Barbara of Phelan, California; daughter Florence Pettigrew and husband Howard of Luceme Valley, Califomia. Her son Gerry Goodloe and daughter Carlene Payton preceded her in death. She also leaves brother Mark Hughes of Kernville and sister Emma Stuffman of Fallbrook, California; 12 grandchildren, 10 greatgrandchildren and one greatgreat-grandchild.

Dorothy's boundless energy and contributions to the Kern River Valley will be greatly missed. Arrangements were made by the Bonewell family of Lake Isabella Funeral Home, a Golden Rule Funeral Director.

Ivy Gladys Davis

lvy Gladys Davis, age 92, entered etemal rest on Thursday, May 30, 1996, at her home in Kent, England. Ivy was born the eldest of eight children on August 22, 1903 in London, England and came to the United States in 1958 to join two of her children. She lived and worked in the Northern Los Angeles County area for approximately 10 years. Ivy moved to Wofford Heights in 1968 and lived here for six years.

In 1974, lvy returned to England to be close to her remaining brothers until she passed away. While living in Wofford Heights, lvy was always helping others. She belonged to the Dorcas Society, associated with the Lutheran Church when it was still in Kemville.

Her biggest accomplishment was in the fundraising for the building of the St. Peter's Episcopal Church on Sierra Way in Kernville. Before leaving for England, lvy was privileged to have nailed the building permit to a post where the church now

while visiting lvy in England, her last request was for her son, David Davis, to bring her home with him. It is done! A memorial service will be held at 9:30 a.m., Saturday, August 10, 1996, at St. Peter's Episcopal Church in Kemville. Father Bob Woods will officiate with interment following in the Kem River Valley Cemetery, Wofford Heights.

Ivy is survived by her three children, George Davis of England; Doreen Pontius of Grants Pass, Oregon; and David Davis of Wofford Heights; her brother David in England; her eight grandchildren and six greatgrandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the St. Francis Hospice in Kent, England, c/o Valley Mortuary, P.O. Box E, Lake Isabella, CA 93240.

Arrangements entrusted to the care of Valley Mortuary, Lake Isabella.

Shigeo Tagami

Memorial arrangements were made for Shigeo Tagami who passed away July 25, 1996, at his home in Mt. Mesa. Mr. Tagami was born September 14, 1913, in San Pedro, California.

He was a commercial fisherman for over 20 years. He loved to play the guitar and gardening. He has been a resident of the Kern River Valley for 22 years.

He is survived by his son Gray Tagami of San Pedro; daughter Aya Dinning of Rolling Hills Estates; granddaughter Miki Dinning; sister Kay Sato of Lomita, California.

Interment will be at Green Hills Memorial Park in San Pedro.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

### Lena Mae Edwards

Graveside services will be held for Lena Mae Edwards at 10:00 a.m., Saturday, August 10, 1996, at the Kem Valley Cemetery. Officiating will be Pastor Floyd R. Castillo of Highland Chapel UMC.

Lena Mae was bom on October 11, 1948, in Los Angeles. She spent most of her life in the Kern River Valley and attended high school here. She married Benny Edwards on December 18, 1965, at the Highland Chapel. Lena passed away in Bakersfield on June 26, 1996.

She is survived by her husband, Benny Edwards, of Lake Isabella; daughters Gina Christina and Linda Edwards, both of Lake Isabella; sisters Jeannie Tate and Mary Cullen, both of Bakersfield; brothers Gary Thomas of Bodfish and Robert Cullen of Bakersfield; and her mother, Anna Inez Thomas of Bakersfield.

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### Mary Adaline Pickard

Funeral services were held Tuesday, August 6, 1996, at 10:00 a.m. at George Price Funeral Home in Levelland, Texas, for Mary Adaline Pickard of Lake Isabella, who went home to be with the Lord on July 31, 1996, in Mt. Mesa, California.

Mary was born on November 11, 1915 in Menlo, Georgia, and moved to California in 1945 when she got married to Joseph Pickard. They lived there until 1952 and while there she worked for the American Red Cross. Then they moved to Levelland, Texas where she and her husband were farmers for over 40 years. She also worked for the Deputy County Clerk's office and was a member of the Park Drive Baptist Church. She has lived in Lake Isabella for the past two years and been a member of the Mt. View Southern Baptist Church in Lake Isabella.

She is survived by her sisters Clyde Hennen and Wilma Walker of Lake Isabella; her brother Paul Thacker of Harbor City; sister Zella Boulden of Tehachapi; brother Robert Thacker of Richland Hills, Texas; 11 nieces and nephews and many friends. She will be missed by all.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Ronald L. Rubiy

Funeral services for Ronnie, age 51, were held Friday, July 19, 1996, at 10 a.m. at the First Church of the Nazarene and graveside services followed at Hillcrest Memorial Park in Bakersfield. Ronnie was preceded in death by his parents, Al and Kathryn Rubiy, Ronnie is survived by his devoted and loving wife Dee Anna Rubiy; daughters Ronda Brashear and Stacey Rubiy; son-in-law, Mike Brashear; grandson Trevor Brashear, sisters Jody Jones, Linda Underwood and Ellen Gill; brothers-in-law John Jones and Gregory Gill. He is also survived by a host of other relatives and friends.

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### Wayne Leroy Barnes

Memorial services were held for Wayne Leroy Bames who passed away on July 26, 1996, at his home in Montrose, Colorado.

Wayne was born on December 30, 1933 in Bolivar, New York, and raised and schooled in Long Beach, California. He lived in the Kem Valley for 22 years with his wife Ann and seven children where he worked for Cal Gas. The past 23 years they lived in Colorado with most of his free time spent hunting and fishing and building their getaway cabin in the mountains high above Montrose. Wayne was very close to his family and always had children and grandchildren over for barbecues and get-togethers.

He was preceded in death by: his son, Bobby Barnes; mother Gladys Barnes and father Harold Barnes. Survivors include his wife Ann; sons Donald, Jimmy and wife Pam of Montrose; Gary and wife Cheryl of Auburn, Washington; Steven of Durango, Colorado; daughters Pamela of San Diego; Patricia Rocha and husband Max of Montrose; 16 grandchildren; brother and sister-in-law, Ralph and Jean Barnes of Lodi; and sister and brother-in-law Lois and Bob Crowder of Bakersfield and Kernville; and many, many friends.

Wayne will be greatly missed by all.

#### **Ann Marie Holt**

Private memorial services have been arranged for Ann Marie Holt, a 19-year resident of Kernville. She passed away on July 25, 1996 at the City of Hope Hospital. She was born on February 6, 1940, in Long Beach, California.

Surviving relatives include her mother Jo Boderman of Harbour City, California; children Robert Hollis and his family of Bodfish; Jerry Hollis and family of Rosamond, California; Belinda Deible and family and Lake Isabella; Larry Hollis and family of Spokane, Washington; and her brother Herk Bodermann of San Pedro, California.

Agnes Margaret Bulger

Agnes Margaret Bulger, daughter of Appalonia and Sebastian Hoffman was born and raised in North Braddock, Pennsylvania. She entered into eternal rest on July 29, 1996. She married Bernard Bulger of Rumford, Maine, 50 years ago this year at Mission San Buenaventura, Ventura, California

They lived in Detroit, Michigan, from 1947 to 1958 where Agnes was active at St. Philamena's Church. In 1958, they returned to California where Agnes began her 20 year employment with GTE in Oxnard. She was an active member of the Communication Workers of America and the Legion of Mary at Santa Clara Church.

After retirement, they moved to Lake Isabella. They traveled in their fifth wheel, making many trips across the country. Agnes loved crafts and particularly enjoyed ceramics and quilting.

Services were held on July 31, 1996, at St. Jude Catholic Church, with Father Charles Casale attending. Special attendants included Lazarus Ministry, Holy Name Society, the Altar-Rosary Society and the Rev. Robert A. Brown O.S.F.S. of St. John Newman Church in Reston, Virginia.

Agnesis survived by her husband Bernard; her daughter Sandra; three grandchildren, John Jr., Caryn and Michael of Herndon, Virginia; and a brother Donald of North Braddock, Pennsylvania.

Arrangements were made by the Bonewell family of Lake Isabella Funeral Horne, a Golden Rule Funeral Director. Myrtle Lurene Matheny

Myrtle Lurene Matheny entered eternal rest on July 26, 1996. She was 92 years of age. Myrtle was born in Taylor Ridge, Ohio, on July 5, 1904, to Charles and Elizabeth Robinett. Her husband, Ivan, preceded her in death several years ago.

She worked many years for the May Company stores. Myrtle resided many years in Lake Elsinore and was a long time member of the First Baptist Church there. She moved to Bakersfield and was a resident of Redwood Village Oaks. Just a short while ago she relocated the valley to be near her daughter, Jean.

Myrtle loved doing handiwork such as knitting, crochet and tatting, but her particular enjoyment came from her garden.

A memorial service will be held for Myrtle at the Oakwood Cemetery in Chatsworth at a later date.

In addition to her daughter, Jean Louise Aubuchon, of Wofford Heights, Myrtle is survived by a son Larry Marlow Matheny of Lake Elsinore; her grandchildren Tom Matheny, Brad Matheny, Karl Bachman, Lauri Bell, Roger Aubuchon, and Joyce Tucker, 14 great-grandchildren, and eight great-greatgrandchildren.

Arrangements made by the Bonewell family of Lake Isabella Funeral Home, a Golden Rule Funeral Director.

### Cecil Clem Sandifur

Cecil Sandifur was born in Urbana, Illinois, to Claude and Lillian Sandifur on April 23, 1908. He entered into rest on August 8, 1996, at the Kem Valley Hospital.

He received his early education in Hollywood, California, graduating from Hollywood High School and attending college at U.C.L.A. All of his family were in the field of education. His father was the Principal of North Hollywood High School in North Hollywood, California, from 1929 to 1941.

Cecil married his wife, Mabel, in 1959. She preceded him in death on April 28 of this year.

He had many hidden talents. Among them he was handy at carpentry, plumbing and electrical work. He would tackle and complete any work he had a mind to do.

Services were held at the Rose Chapel of the Lake Isabella Funeral Home on Tuesday, August 13, 1996, at 10 a.m. with Rev. John Carpenter of the Kemville Methodist Church officiating.

Cecil is survived by his son Tom Sandifur of Hawthome, California; Joanne Sandifur of Rathdrum, Idaho; Donna Hoegee and Lorraine Sartoris, both of Lake Isabella; sister Ruth Neeley of Wofford Heights; sister-in-law Lillian Jamison of Lake Isabella; as well as many friends in the valley.

He will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved him.

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She worked many years for the May Company stores. Myrtle resided many years in Lake Elsinore and was a long time member of the First Baptist Church there. She moved to Bakersfield and was a resident of

Redwood Village Oaks. Just a short while ago she relocated the valley to be near her daughter, Jean.

Myrtie loved doing handiwork such as knitting, crochet and tatting, but her particular enjoyment came from her garden.

A memorial service will be held for Myrtle at the Oakwood Cemetery in Chatsworth at a later date.

In addition to her daughter, Jean Louise Aubuchon, of Wofford Heights, Myrtie is survived by a son Larry Marlow Matheny of Lake Elsinore; daughter-in-law Jeanne Matheny; son-in-law Roger Aubuchon; her grandchildren Tim Matheny, Brad Matheny, Karl Bachman, Lauri Bell, Roger Aubuchon, and Joyce Tucker, 14 great-grandchildren, and eight great-great-grandchildren.

Arrangements made by the Bonewell family of Lake Isabella Funeral Home, a Golden Rule Funeral Director.

**Betty Jo Erickson** 

Betty Jo Erickson, age 66, passed away at the hospital on August 3, 1996. Memorial services were held for her on August 9, 1996, at Greenlawn Mortuary in Southwest Bakersfield with Greg Berry officiating. She was cremated.

She was born on February 28, 1930, in Newton, Kansas.

A Kemville resident for the past two years, Betty is survived by her husband of 48 years, Charles E. Erickson, as well as her daughter Jan Mazzowe and sister Hazel Erickson.



Larry as a teenager.

### Lawrence Larry Irving "Fin" Findly

Larry was born to William and Sarah Findley on November 22, 1933, in Bell, California. He entered into rest on August 11, 1996, at the age of 62.

Services were held in the Rose Chapel of the Lake Isabella Funeral Home on Agust 14, 1996, at 10:00 a.m. with Pastor Mike Ireland, of the Landmark Missionary Baptist Church of Lake Isabella, officiating.

In the 1940's, Larry graduated from Orion High School where he was active in the FFA as well as football. Larry helped his family run the ranch which they owned in Shasta mountains. After high

school, Larry joined the service and fought for his country in the Korean conflict. In the mid-50's he returned to Southern California. During the next seven years, Larry worked at various aircraft industries while attending college at U.C.L.A. In 1961 he was married and went on to graduate with a PhD in Geology and Paleontology. He spent the next 20 years raising his family of three, and building his career in the motion picture industry at the studios in Burbank, California.

He moved to the Kern Valley area in 1982 hoping to fulfill his dream of geology and mining. In 1990 he married Terri Wilson, a long-time Kern Valley resident, and spent the next six years devoting his time to her, and her daughter Becky, as well as to his mining projects. In February of this year, Larry had the privilege of walking Becky down the aisle. He enriched his family's lives as well as all who knew and loved him. He will be greatly missed by his family and friends.

Services were entrusted to the Bonewell family of the Lake Isabella Funeral Home, a Golden-Rule Funeral Director.

#### **Lonzo Adams**

Graveside serves for Lonzo Adams, 74, of Bakersfield were held on Tuesday, August 13, 1996, at 10:00 a.m. in the Kern River Valley Cemetery with Kernville Lodge #872 F. & A.M. officiating. The Funeral Master was

Dale Yeargan; Chaptain, Peter Nyhuis; and the eulogy was given by Tom McKinney.

Lonzo was bom May 29, 1922, in Russellville, Arkansas and after 32 years service with Southern California Edison, he moved to Wofford Heights. In 1995, he and his wife moved to Bakersfield where he resided until his death.

He was a Shriner and a member of the Kernville Lodge #872, F. & A.M. Lonzo also enjoyed hunting and fishing.

Survivors include his wife of 54 years, Mattie B. Adams, of Bakersfield; a son, Lonnie Lee Adams of Kernville; and a daughter, Beverly Jean Adams of Bakersfield; and his grandson, Brian Roth, of Morro Bay, California.

Visitation was held on Monday, August 12, 1996, from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. at Valley Mortuary.

Arrangements by Valley Moratuary of Lake Isabella.

Wayne Baird

Graveside services were held Friday, August 16, 1996, at Greenlawn Memorial Park in Bakersfield, Califomia, for Wayne Baird, who passed away August 10, 1996, in Tulare, Califomia. Wayne was born February 22, 1938, in Barstow, Califomia, and lived in Bakersfield until he moved to Kemville in 1980 as Postmaster of the Kemville Post Office.

Wayne was very active in the Kemville Lion's Club serving as president and it was through his efforts that Lion's Club Bingo was started. He was a member of the Kemville Chamber of Commerce and was a bingo caller for the Chamber and also for the Lion's

Club.

Due to ill health, he was forced to retire from the post office in 1986 and moved back to Bakersfield in 1990. Wayne spent the last year-and-a-half living in Tulare, California, with his daughter, Terry, who cared for him.

Wayne was a loving husband and father and will be greatly missed by his family. He is survived by his wife Kathey in Bakersfield; his son Patrick and daughters Deanna Baird and Terry Steverson in Tulare; three stepchildren Scot Flitcraft, Deborah Long in Bakersfield and Pam Buenaventura in Redmond, Washington. Grandchildren include Shaun, Shannon, Tracy, Amanda, Christopher, Brenda, Jason, Ricky, Christina, Felicia and a very special granddaughter Jillynn Long. He is also survived by his brother Patrick and sister Deana Baird of Bakersfield and one uncle Dean Baird.

Contributions in his memory may be made to the United Parkinson Foundation, 833 West Washington Blvd., Chicago, Illinois 60607.



### William Harmon "Bill" Simpson, Jr.

Services were held in Greenlawn Memorial Chapel, 3700 River Blvd., Thursday, August 15, 1996, at 1:30 p.m. for William Harmon "Bill" Simpson, Jr., age 75, who passed away on August 12, 1996, in Bakersfield. Pastor Cecil Parker will officiate. Full military honors at graveside by Kem County Veterans Association.

Bill was born on December 20, 1920, in Kansas City, Kansas and resided in Lake Isabella. Bill-served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He retired in 1983 from Schlitz Brewers where he worked as a bottler for 16 years. He was a lifetime member of the VFW Post #2323 in Granada Hills and Eagles Lodge in Mt. Mesa.

He was preceded in death by his son Robert and brother Lee, both in 1993. Survivors include his wife Arlene Simpson of Lake Isabella; daughter Dian Snider of Bakersfield; daughter Patty Meyers of San Jose; five grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; brother Raymond Simpson of Arkansas and sister lona Crookshank of Ventura and numerous nieces and nephews and host of dear friends. Casketbearers were Mark Simpson, Mitchell Tumer, Greg Gause, Kent Bush, Steve Gause and Randy Wentling. Visitation begins today at 12:00 p.m.

Greenlawn Mortuary Funeral

**Directors** 

### **OBITUARIES**

#### Vesta Elizabeth Cicotte

Graveside services were held Thursday August 23, 1996 at 10:00 AM at Kem River Valley Cemetery for Vesta Elizabeth Cicotte of Lake Isabella. Officiating was Pastor David Snow of the First Baptist Church of Lake Isabella. Vesta was born December 27,1905 in Wewoka, Oklahoma and passed away August 19, 1996 in Lancaster, Califomia after a long illness.

She has been a resident of the Kem River Valley for the last 44 years. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Lake Isabella. She was known as "Aunt Bill" by her family and Vesta by her friends. She was preceded in death by her husband in 1978. She is survived by her many nieces and nephews in Oklahoma, Oregon and California, also many grand nieces and nephews and great nieces and nephews. She will be missed by all.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary of Lake Isabella.

### Herman C. Lendway

Funeral arrangements have been made for Herman C. Lendway of Walker Basin who passed away August 23, 1996 in Mt. Mesa, Califomia after along illness. He was 99 years of age. He was born in Hungary February 5, 1897.

Herman was a WWI veteran and a member of the Vets of WWI in Bakersfield. He was a carpenter and jack-of-all-trades most of his life. He is survived by his son and daughter-in-law, Herman and Jennie Lendway, Jr. of Palmdale; son John Lendway of Palmdale; and daughter Pat Hillis of Walker Basin; several grandchildren, and greatgrandchildren; sisters Edith Booty and Elizabeth Kamreth, both of Minnesota.

He was preceded in death by his wife Francis, son Ralph and daughter Gloria.

A memorial service will be held at a later date.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary of Lake Isabella.

### James Harrison Crow

James Harrison Crow peacefully passed away on Aug 22, 1996 at the age of 87. Jim was retired from

the Naval Ordinance Test Station in China Lake in 1969. He lived in the house he built, in Kernville since 1953. Jim was a veteran of World War II. He loved the outdoors, fishing, and was an accomplished craftsman. Jim was preceded in death by his wife of 49 years, Constance Athina Crow. James and Connie were members of the Kernville Methodist Church.

Jim leaves his only son, James Harvey Crow and wife Karen; two loving granddaughters, Cassadi & Ericka; his friends J.B. and Beverly Edmiston; a beloved niece, Wilma Harrington and her sons; his brother, Lavem (Pork) Crow; brother and sister-in-law, Merle and Christina Meed; and brother-in-law Pete Panarites.

Jim was a kind man with many other friends and loved ones. Mr. Crow will be laid to rest at the Kem Valley Cemetery on August 29 at 11 AM.

Arrangements through Valley Mortuary of Lake Isabella.

Jim lived a full and rich life, do not mourn for him as we are celebrating his passing into the arms of the Lord.



### **Myrtle Marie** Teasdale Houston

Myrtle Marie Teasdale Houston. known by most as "Grandma," born May 26, 1905, in Hocking, Iowa, went to heaven on August 28, 1996. There will be a celebration of her life, followed by dinner, on September 13, 1996, at 2:00 p.m., at the home of her daughter, Phyllis M. Hix, with whom she resided for the past several years, at 316 Rio del Loma, Kemville. Pastor John Carpenter of the Kernville United Methodist Church will officiate at the Celebration of Life and Kern River Valley Chapter No. 643, Order of the Eastern Star, Sue McKinney, Grand Conductress of the Grand Chapter of California, Past Matron, Kem River Valley presiding. All Grandma's friends and family are invited to share this day. There will be a wake in her honor from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. on September 12, 1996, at the house.

Myrtle Teasdale was born in a coal mining company town to Alice and Thompson Teasdale, the oldest of five children. As the oldest, it was her task to help her mother care for the others and clothe and feed her father and brothers for their work in the coal mines. She loved school, and to read. She graduated Valedictorian of her class in 1923 from the Novinger, Missouri High School. She attended one year of college at Northeast Missouri Teacher's College, then met the man she was married to for over 50 years, Hyle Leon Houston, who died in 1977.

Although deaf since age 20, most people were unaware of that, due to her great determination to participate cheerfully and fully in all of life's activities. A Christian, her deep faith saw her through many challenges. In a time when "deaf" usually meant "dumb" to most, she became a successful business woman owning and operating many farms and other properties and businesses with her husband in Iowa and Missouri. Together, as a team, they began the "Stop and Shop - Open 24 Hours" produce markets and the first supermarket chain in the mid-west, the IAMO Stores. In her "retirement" years, and until age 84, she was a full time bookkeeper for her daughter's law firm in San Marino, California. She loved going to work each day, and, at that stage of her life, being "one of the girls" at the firm!

They had two children, Patricia Lou, who died as an infant, and Phyllis M. Hix, of Kernville, Califor-

The Houston team supported many families and friends over the years, from the Depression on, with its Christian love and support, clothes, jobs to those considered unhireable in that period, resources, food, Grandma was always the one to quietly arrive, assess the needs, and fulfill them, then just as quietly go home. She was a leader, yet chose not to be an officer in her groups because of her deafness. In all groups she was the Hostess, the reader of poems, the Inspirational Chairperson, head of the kitchen detail. She worked, always the proper lady, with a smile, purposefully in her gentle, silent world. She never complained, always praised and held to her faith. She never swore, never spoke judgmentally or with nastiness of anyone, and from her youth followed her family and Methodist traditions of working to fiercely protect the rights of the less fortunate, then later, her Eastern

love. She was gentle, kind, calm. She accepted everyone for who and what they were. Grandma never met a stranger. She loved a party - especially her own birthday parties in recent years as she admitted, as the oldest child in a modest family, she had never had a birthday party given for her as a child.

Star traditions of extended family

Myrtle loved and supported her entire family unconditionally and doted on her grandchildren, Stacy Marie Hix of Kernville, California, and Jeffrey David Hix of Atlanta, Georgia. She is survived by them; her daughter Phyllis M. Hix of Kernville, Califórnia; a brother, Tucker Teasdale of Grundy Center, Iowa; and dozens of other relatives and friends, all of whom will recall her with warmth and a smile.

Interment will be on September 28, 1996, at Fairview Cemetery in Madrid, lowa.

### Francis Harry Austin

A Mass for Christian burial was held Tuesday, August 27, 1996, at 8:30 a.m. at St. Jude Parish Catholic Church in Wofford Heights for Francis Harry Austin of Lake Isabella, California. Officiating was Rev.

Father Charles Casale.

Mr. Austin was born on April 15, 1914 in Lynn, Massachusetts and passed away on August 20, 1996, in Mt. Mesa, California. He has been a resident of the Kern River Valley for 15 years. He was a member of the Hospital Auxiliary for six years. Mr. Austin also worked as a volunteer at the hospital. He was always helping people. He also loved gardening. He was a member of St. Jude Parish Catholic Church.

Survivors include his daughters Florence Vallejo of Newport Beach; Linda Webber of Klamath Falls, Oregon; sons Tim Austin of Long Beach and Michael Draconiis of Lake Isabella; also two grandchildren. He will be missed by his family

and many friends.

Arrangements by Valley Mortu-

### Juanita Louise Fletcher

Funeral services were held on August 27, 1996, at Kern Valley Cemetery for Juanita Louise Fletcher. Louise was born in Seymour, Texas on December 5, 1926, and was a resident of the Kern River Valley since 1970, Mrs. Fletcher was an elementary school teacher at Woodrow Wallace Elementary School for 15 years. She will be remembered fondly by her many friends and former students in the valley.

She is survived by her husband of 52 years, James Dennis Fletcher; daughter Susan Harris of Lake Isabella; daughter Lana Patton of Tustin; grandchildren Christie, Julie, Carlee, Jesse, James; great-grandchild Sean and niece Patricia, along with many other loved ones.

Louise was a wonderful and loving wife, mother, grandmother and teacher. She will be missed dearly

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

### Elsie Luella Snyder

Graveside services were held Friday, September 1, 1996, at 9:30 a.m. at Kem River Valley Cemetery for Elsie Luella Snyder of Kemville. Officiating was Pastor John Carpenter of the Kernville United Methodist Church. Elsie was born on May 5, 1923 in Indianapolis, Indiana and passed away on August 31, 1996, in Mt. Mesa, California.

She has been a resident of the Kem River Valley for the past 17 years. She was a member of the Historical Society, Women of the Moose and the VFW Auxiliary. She was also very active at the Lake Isabella Senior Center. Elsie was known for her dancing and she loved herfamily and friends, antiques, her home and garden and the river.

Elsie is survived by her son James Snyder of Kernville; her daughters, Sandra Morley of Westwood, California; Judith Snyder of Quincy, California; and Sue Snyder of Reno, Nevada; also seven grandchildren. She will be missed by all.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

### **Dorothy Dean** Young

Dorothy Dean Young entered eternal life on September 3, 1996. A memorial service was held on Saturday, September 7, 1996, at the Weldon United Methodist Church where she had been a member since the 1980's.

She was born in Okarche, Oklahoma, to Martin and Mamie Hamm on September 17, 1925. At the age of 18, Dorothy moved to the Los Angeles area with her family. She began working in the meat packing industry in Vernon, California, at an early age and retired from that industry after 42 years. After moving to the Lake Isabella area 13 years ago, she worked for the Sprouse-Reitz store in Lake Isabella and the James Station in Southlake. She was a member of the VFW, Eagles and the Moose Lodges.

Dorothy leaves her husband of 30 years, John, and her only child, Martin J. Sauber; two grandchildren, April Long and Chris Sauber; two great-grandchildren; twin brother Donald Hamm and wife Lillian; brother Marvin Hamm and wife Vivian; her sister Juanita Gaubert and husband Alonzo; beloved nieces, LaVonne Miller, Elaine Austin, Carolyn Young, Dorothy Ann Pyle, Marvena Rainwater, and Wanda Hamm; nephew Edward Hamm and several grand-nieces and nephews. Dorothy's brother Luther Hamm and nephews Myrle Hamm and Leon Hamm have preceded her in death.

She is now in heaven and rejoicing with God. The family thanks all of her friends for the care and love you showed during her long illness.

Arrangements were made by the Bonewell family of Lake Isabella Funeral Home, a Golden Rule Funeral Director.

#### Ruth DeVere Kraus

A graveside service was held for Ruth DeVere Kraus on Tuesday, September 10, 1996, at 1:00 p.m. at the Kem Valley Cemetery who entered eternal life on August 30, 1996.

Ruth was born on June 10, 1927, in Hatton, North Dakota, where she received her schooling. She moved to California in the 1950s and in 1955, married Edward Kraus in Las Vegas, Nevada. Ruth was an accountant at U.S. Fidelity and Guaranty for 24 years. The moved to the lake area in 1989, settling in Bod-

She was a loving outgoing person whose unique personality was enjoyed by all who knew and loved her. She and Edward often traveled to Laughlin with their friends for fun. Ruth loved animals and enjoyed catsitting for her neighbor.

Ruth is survived by her husband, Edward Joseph Kraus; and her brother Ronald Norgaard, of

Stillwater, Oklahoma.

Services were provided by the Bonewell family of Lake Isabella Funeral Home, a Golden Rule Funeral Director.

### Serena Campbell

Serena Campbell, age 95, entered into eternal rest on September 3, 1996. She was born in Norfolk, England, on May 17, 1901, to Robert and Maryann Scarborough.

In 1911, she and her family moved to Toronto, Canada. She came to the United States in 1934, settling in the Los Angeles area. Serena worked for McDonnell Douglas Aircraft in assembly for many years and came to the lake area in 1972. She was a very active member of the First Baptist Church in Lake Isabella, a member of the Grandmothers Club, and enjoyed serving in any way she could. Serena received great joy in her crochet work and in giving her beautiful creations to others as gifts. A tribute to her was shown in the corsages worn by many of her friends at her funeral service which were hand crocheted by Serena.

Services were held at the First Baptist Church of Lake Isabella on Thursday, September 5, 1996, at 1:30 p.m. Private interment will be at Inglewood Cemetery in Los An-

geles.

Serena is survived by her grandson Sonny Kinne, with whom she lived; granddaughters Sharon Kinne of Norwalk, California; Linda Quemada of Los Alamitos, California; Serena Sisk of Lakewood, California; and Mary Pacheco of Lake Isabella; and eight great-grandchildren. Her only child, Ethel Kinne preceded her in death in 1992 and husband Edwin Wright in 1966 as well as Fred Campbell in 1981.

She was a true example of Christian love and service and will be greatly missed by all who knew and

Arrangements were provided by the Bonewell family of Lake Isabella Funeral Home, a Golden Rule Funeral Director.

### **Betty Jean Martinez**

Graveside services were held on Wednesday, September 4, 1996, at 10:00 a.m. at the Kern River Valley Cernetery for Betty Jean Martinez. Father Charles Casale of St. Jude Catholic Church officiated.

Betty was born on January 31. 1924. in San Diego, California, and lived in California her entire life. She married Elmo Joseph Martinez on October 28, 1947 in Las Vegas, Nevada, and was a homemaker for 49 years. Moe and Betty honeymooned at the old Johnsondale Lumber Camp 49 years ago and Betty fell in love with this area and told her new husband that if all possible, she would someday like to live in this area. Moe fulfilled that wish for her in 1986 when they moved to their home in Wofford Heights, upon retirement. Betty loved to garden, and was an avid reader. She also enjoyed Disney animated movies.

In addition to her husband Moe, Betty is survived by sons Vincent and Michael Martinez and their wives, of Tucson, Arizona; daughter Gale Muegge of Norfolk, Nevada; and one granddaughter. She also leaves a sister, Joann Sheurer, of Georgia. She will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved her.

Services were provided by the Bonewell family of the Lake Isabella Funeral Home, a Golden Rule Funeral Director.

### David L. Hatchell

Mr. David L. Hatchell of Lake Isabella died September 6, 1996. A memorial service was conducted by the L.O.O.M. #498 on September 10, 1996 at Rose Chapel, Lake Isabella Funeral Home. Burial of ashes with graveside services will be conducted at Royal Pines Cemetery, Winnsboro, South Carolina.

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Mr. Hatchell was born in
Winnsboro, South Carolina on February 2, 1929. He was the son of the
late Mr. Duncan Fullard Hatchell
and the late Mrs. Annie Maude

Arledge Hatchell.

Mr. Hatchell served in the Army Air Force from 1945 to 1948. Mr. Hatchell was retired from Contel where he was employed for 40 years in a management capacity. He was a member of the Loyal Order of the Moose #498; he was a past member and officer of the Lions Club and a past member and officer of the Lions Club and a past member of the Elks and IPTA.

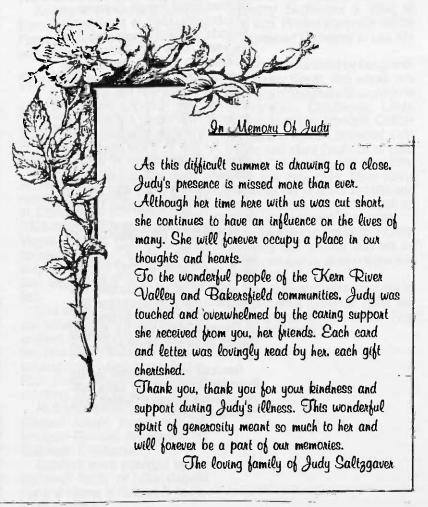
He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Peggy Pethel Hatchell of Lake Isabella; 5 sons, Thomas J. Hatchell of Valencia, California, David B. Hatchell of Kaneohe, Hawaii, Lawrence Hatchell of Paso Robles, California, Guy Hatchell of Goleta, California, and Kelly Hatchell also of Goleta; 2 step-daughters, Cathy Thatcher of Boyce, Virginia, and Vicki Rohde of Aurora, Colorado; 13 grandchildren; 2 sisters, Mrs. Kathleen Branham of Winnsboro,

South Carolina, and Mrs. Edith Campbell of Vance, South Carolina; and a brother, Lanier Hudson of Walterboro, South Carolina.

The family suggests that memorials be made to Kern Valley Skilled

Nursing Center, P.O. Box 1628, Lake Isabella, California.

Arrangements were made by the Bonewell family, Lake Isabella Funeral Home, Golden Rule Funeral Directors.



### Kenneth Raymond Clarke

Memorial services were held Sunday, September 22, 1996 at 1:00 PM at Valley Mortuary Chapel for Kenneth Raymond Clarke who passed away September 12, 1996. Officiating was Walter Rawles.

Kenneth was born July 19, 1907 in Eureka, Kansas and has been a resident of the Kern River Valley for the last 26 years. He moved here after retiring from Adel, after 30 years. He enjoyed camping during his retirement. He is survived by his wife of 11 years, Nita Clarke of Bodfish, his daughter and son-inlaw Barbara and Jim Wagaman of Chatsworth, daughter Alice Smith of Vallejo, California; step-daughter Jan Zurn of Ridgecrest; two brothers, Glen Clarke of Mt. Mesa, California and Pete Clarke of Hemet, California; also eight grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren.

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Arrangements by Valley Mortu-

### Corbin Roy Morgan

Funeral services were held on September 18, 1996 at First Baptist Church of Lake Isabella for Corbin Roy Morgan, with Pastor Dave Snow officiating. Mr. Morgan was born in Goldonna, Louisiana November 28, 1911 and entered into the presence of the Lord Sunday, September 15, 1996.

Corbin and his wife Christene came to Fontana, California in 1942 where he was employed at Kaiser Steel until he opened his own Richfield service station in 1952. For 25 years he and his wife ran the business and finally retired to Mt. Mesa. The family spent many years vacationing and fishing in the valley before retiring here.

He is survived by his wife of 57 years, Christene Morgan; daughter Gloria Stevens and granddaughters Sharla, Shena, and Cherie Stevens of Mt. Mesa; sister Wilma Pollock of Mt. Mesa; nephew Dave Harvey of Mt. Mesa; and sister Elsie Watters of Shreveport, Louisiana.

He was a generous and loving man who will be missed by many family and friends.

### Kaj T. Hansen

Kaj T. Hansen was born in Denmark to Harald and Mathea Hansen on September 18, 1918. He entered eternal life September 16, 1996 at his home in Kernville, two

days before his 78th birthday.

Kaj left Denmark as a young man and sailed the seas, he never returned to his native country. He came to the United States as a Merchant Marine and joined the U.S. Navy, serving in the Pacific Theatre during WW II. In 1948 he married Lavonne and they had three children. After serving in the Navy, he worked in the oil fields in Bakersfield, California, Australia, Alaska, and Brazil. He also worked for the Los Angeles Unified School District as a Building Engineer for 23 years. He retired in 1982 and moved to the Kern River Valley in 1991. Kaj loved to dance, collected train sets, made

He is survived by sons Michael A. of Spokane, Washington, Thomas K. of North Hills, California, and daughter Roxanne M. Claypool of Lancaster, California; three grand-children and two great-grandchildren.

bird houses and enjoyed any kind of

carpentry and yard work.

Services were held on Saturday, September 21, at 12:00 noon at Rose Chapel, Pastor Jack A. Dilley, Johnsondale Bible Church officiated. Kaj will be buried at sea.

Arrangements provided by the Bonewell Family, Lake Isabella Funeral Home, A Golden Rule Funeral Director.

### **Arieta Rae Fox**

Private arrangements were made for Arleta Rae Fox who passed away on September 18, 1996, at her home in Lake Isabella. She was born December 28, 1931 in Manhattan, Kansas and has been a resident of the Kern River Valley from 1955.

She was a member of the Elks Lodge in Lake Isabella. Arleta is survived by her step-sons and their wives, John and Joyce Sterling of Bakersfield, Bobby and Mary Lou Sterling of Bakersfield, Shelby and Linda Sterling of Bakersfield, Jerry and Ruth Sterling of Missouri; 15 grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren; and her sister Twala Bradshaw.

Arrangements by Valley Mortu-

### William Nelson Jordan

Private arrangements were made for William Nelson Jordan who passed away at his home in Squirrel Valley on September 17, 1996 after a long illness. Mr. Jordan and his wife moved to the valley 13 years ago after retiring from his printing business of 25 years. He loved to hunt and fish and also play golf. He was the past president of the Lions Club. Mr. Jordan is survived by his wife of 49 years, Mary Jo Jordan and son William Jordan, Jr. of Diamond Bar, California, and Robert Jordan of Hermosa Beach, California; and three grandchildren.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

### **Billy Joe Longworth**

Billy Joe Longworth passed away at his home in Wofford Heights on September 15, 1996. Born on January 3, 1925 in Oklahoma, he was very active in youth organizations when his children were growing up in Downey, California. He has been a property owner in Wofford Heights since 1964 and he became a permanent resident in 1977. He worked as a mobilehome improvement specialist until 1962 when he started his own successful business in the same line. He was an avid fisherman and enjoyed showing his favorite fishing holes to friends and family.

He leaves his wife of 47 years, Shirley, and four children and their spouses, Robert Longworth and wife Mary of Whittier, California, Joseph Longworth of Kernville, Robin Davis and husband David of Anaheim, and Kellene Kirkpatrick and husband Gregg of Wofford Heights; five grandchildren, Kate Anderson, Ted Longworth, Erika and Emily Kirkpatrick and James Davis. He also leaves his sister Vernie Pollock of Southlake: fatherin-law Robert Guthrie of Southlake, and special friend Chris Anderson of Huntington Beach.

He was a very brave man in his last days on earth and will be remembered lovingly by his family and friends. A private memorial service attended by family members only will be held September 21, 1996.

Arrangements were entrusted to Lake Isabella Funeral Home, the Bonewell Family. A Golden Rule Funeral Director.

Dorothy Maude Young

Memorial Services for Dorothy Young who entered eternal rest on September 13, 1996, will be held Wednesday, September 25, at 2:00 p.m. at the Valley Community Church, Lake Isabella with Pastor James Lee officiating. Dorothy was born in Norwich, England to Arthur and Mary Holman on December 15, 1918. She married Albert Bemhart Young and had been a housewife for 50 years, and they moved to the Kern River Valley from Highland Park 22 years ago.

Until her illness progressed, Dorothy was a very active participant in the Tuesday night prayer and Bible study at the Skilled Nursing Center and Pastor Jack Dilley remembers her ability to quote vast inspiration to everyone at these studies. She will be remembered for her faith in the Lord.

In addition to her husband Albert, Dorothy is survived by a daughter Cristina Sanduskey of Thousand Oaks, California; a grandson Brian Sanduskey; and several nieces and nephews in England.

Arrangements provided by the Bonewell Family, Lake Isabella Funeral Home, a Golden Rule Funeral Director.

#### **Nellie Viola Link**

Nellie Viola Link passed away in Sacramento, California, on September 21, 1996, at the age of 89. Graveside services were held Wednesday, September 25, 1996, at 2 p.m. at the Kern River Valley Cemetery in Wofford Heights.

Anative of Greenville, Township of Easley, South Carolina, she was a long time resident of Wofford Heights, but most recently lived in Sacramento. Nellie was Past President of the KAPH Chapter of the Order of the Golden Slipper in Kernville. She loved painting, fishing and walks along Tillie

Creek.

She was the beloved wife of the late William "Ted" Link and the loving mother of the late Boyce E. Link of Stockton. Nellie was the dear grandmother of Ron and Ellen Link, step-grandmother of Norma Morish, Tina Gray and Raymond Reynold; loved sister of Henry, Jack, Nick, Estel and Mami; daughter of the late William Silas Stansel and Emma Eugenia Greene; greatgrandmother of Robin Link and Tracy Brown; and the greatgreat-grandmother of Mellissa Brown.

Arrangements by Lind Brothers Mortuary in Carmichael,

California.

### Virginia Elmira Erickson

A visitation was held Tuesday, September 24, 1996, at Ridgecrest Mortuary in Ridgecrest for Virginia Elmira Erickson of Bodfish. A

graveside service followed at 2 p.m. Thursday, September 26, 1996, at the Kern River Valley Cemetery in Wofford Heights. Officiating was Mel Hetrick.

Virginia was born February 11, 1904 in Tunnel Hill, Illinois, and died September 22, 1996 in Mt. Mesa. She was 92 years old. Virginia was a 17-year resident of the Kern River Valley. She was employed by McDonnell Douglas Aircraft as a seamstress, receiving many awards for innovations in manufacturing aircraft upholstered products.

She is survived by her daughter June Teeter of Bodfish; sister Mary Ina Hall of Carbondale, Illinois; four grand-children, 11 great-grandchildren and five great-great-

grandchildren.

Arrangements by Ridgecrest Mortuary.

#### Irene Dela Bothum

Private arrangements have been made for Irene Dela Bothum who passed away on September 24, 1996, in Mt. Mesa. Mrs. Bothum was born on February 15, 1901, in Downing, Missouri. She had been a resident of the Kern River Valley for 14 years. From 1982 to 1986, she was very involved at the Senior Center and attended all the dances.

Irene is survived by her son Richard Joyce and her nephew James Harper, both of Lake Isabella.

Arrangements by Valley

Mortuary.

Chass Ryan Gentry

Memorial services were held on October 5, 1996, at the Kern Valley Cemetery in Wofford Heights for 5-week-old Chass Ryan Gentry. Officiating were both Jack Dilley and Deryl Lackey. He was born on April 10, 1996, in Richmond, Texas, and passed away on May 17, 1996 at Lubbock Methodist

Hospital.

Chass is survived by his mother, Heather Marie Priebe of Mt. Mesa, a graduate of Kern Valley High School. Also surviving Chass are his grandparents, Sandra Priche of Amarillo, Texas, and Darrell and Michelle Priebe of Mt. Mesa; great-grandparents, Wayne and Julie Woolard of Mt. Mesa, and Elsie Priebe of Cypress, California; great-aunts and uncles, Dave and Gaylynn Glover of Mt. Mesa, and Mark and Laura Woolard of Corona. California; aunts and uncles, Misty and Jeffrey Priebe of Amarillo, Texas, and Steve and Sheldon Priebe of Mt. Mesa: as well as numerous other family members and friends of the valley.

His mother Heather says, "Although my beautiful and precious Chass was never able to meet with his family during his short life of five weeks, they all loved him so very much and wait until the day we can all be together again forever.

Arrangements by Lake Isabella Funeral Home.

A Prayer

I'll lend you for a little while a child of mine, he said,

For you to love the while he lives and mourn for when he is dead.

It may be six or seven years or twenty-two or three, but will you, 'til I call him back, take care of him for me?

He'll bring his charm to gladden thee and shall his stay be

brief.

You'll have his lovely memories as solace for your grief.

I cannot promise he will stay since all from earth do return, but there are lessons taught down here, I want this child to learn.

I've looked the worldwide over in my search for teacher's true, and from the throng that crowds life's lane, I have selected for him, you.

Now will you give him all your love, nor think the labor vain, nor hate me when I come to call and take him back again.

I fancied that I heard them say, "Dear Lord, thy will be

done."

For all the joy thy child shall bring the risk of grief will run. And for the happiness we've known, forever grateful stay.

But angels came to call him much sooner than we planned, so we'll brave the bitter grief that comes and try to understand.

Anonymous

# Mittie Agnes (Harris) Meador

Graveside services were held on Tuesday, October 1, 1996, for Mittie Agnes Meador, at Kern River Valley Cemetery. She and her husband were Southlake residents for 18 years.

Born December 14, 1909, near Fredrick, Oklahoma, she died September 24, 1996, in Torrance, California, where she had lived for the past six years.

She is survived by her sister, Nellie Buchanan of Hugo, Oklahoma; one son, Duane Meador, of Franklin, Kentucky; four daughters, Vanita Vaughn of Torrance, California; Klavelle Johnen of Dallas, Oregon; Vanelle Nurse of Missoula, Montana; and Janelle Knie of Lake Forest, California; eighteen grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

The family asks that any donations be made to VITAS Healthcare Corp. (Hospice), 970 W. 190th Street, Suite 930, Torrance, California 90502.

#### Robert Denmark Griffin

Memorial services were held Sunday, October 6, 1996, at 10:00 a.m. at Valley Mortuary Chapel for Robert Denmark Griffin. Officiating was his grandson, Pastor David Charles Harring.

Mr. Griffin was born November 30, 1910, in Adel, Georgia

and passed away October 4, 1996 in Mt. Mesa, California. He was a resident of the Kern River Valley for the past five years. He moved to Lake Isabella after retiring from the trucking business. He loved to garden, and loved his family.

He is survived by his daughters, Jean Harring and Sherlee Griffin, both of Fairoaks, California; his sisters, Florence Weeser and Flonnie Gourley and brother Sam Griffin, all of Lake Isabella. Mr. Griffin is also survived by six grandchildren, 18 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

## James Reno Pianalto

Services were held on at 12:00 noon on October 8, 1996, for James Reno Pianalto, who passed away Friday, October 4, 1996; at the age of 82. Officiating was Deacon Willard VanLassen at Mr. Pianalto's home in Lake Isabella.

He was born in Tonitown, Arkansas, on March 8, 1914. James retired as a machinist with Hydro Air in Burbank, California. He and his wife, Margie, moved to the Lake Isabella area 21 years ago, where he loved to fish.

James is survived by his wife of 60 years, Margie Pianalto; daughter Shirley A. Schlitz of Tehachapi, California; son Duane Pianalto of Yantis, Texas; grandchildren Todd Schlitz of Ft. Benning, Georgia; Tracy Clark of Alba, Texas; Danny Pianalto of Harrah, Oklahoma; Scott Ekwell of Garland, Texas; and seven great-grandchildren. He is also survived by his brother Johnny Pianalto of Torrance, California, and his sister Esther Bly of Lake Isabella.

Arrangements by Lake Isabella Funeral Home.

## Floyd Richardson

Graveside funeral services were held Tuesday, October 8, 1996, at 10:00 a.m. at the South Kern Cemetery District/Arvinfor Floyd Richardson, age 95, formerly of Arvin, who passed away October 4, 1996, in Mt. Mesa. Mr. Kevin Reeves of the Arvin Church of God officiated and interment followed.

Mr. Richardson was born November 27, 1900, in Avoca, Oklahoma, which was then Indian Territory, to John and Emedorah Richardson. He was raised in the Pottawatamie County area and attended the Oak Grove School.

On May 5, 1926, he married Jewel Henry in Asher, Oklahoma, and in 1943 the Richardson family came to Arvin. Floyd was known as a hard working man and he enjoyed working in his garden and in his roses. He loved to be with his family and in fact in later years, moved up to the Weldon area to be near more of them.

He was preceded in death by his wife Jewel in 1982 and a grandson Dennis Carter in 1981. He is survived by his son Lyndell Richardson and his wife Pat of Arvin; daughters Palma Wren and her husband Bill of Weldon; and Velma Carter and her husband Cecil of Redmond, Oregon; six grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

Visitation was held at the Funeral Home in Arvin on Sunday and Monday.

Árrangements were made by Arvin Funeral Home.

## Edward Russell DeBolt

A graveside service for Edward Russell DeBolt; age 61, will be held at the Kern River Valley Cemetery on Wednesday, October 16, 1996, at 1:00

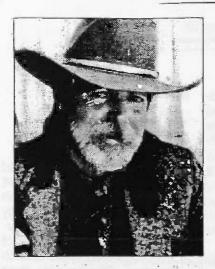
p.m. Pastor Jack Dilley of the Johnsondale Bible Church and the V.F.W. will officiate.

Edward was born in Moorehead, Montana, to Edward and Helen DeBolt and was raised in Fargo, North Dakota. He spent 20 years in the U.S. Navy, serving in Viet Nam. He entered into eternal rest on October 9, 1996, at his home in Wofford Heights.

He was a quiet man, taking pleasure in his family and most especially enjoyed his grandchildren. He loved teasing them. He enjoyed helping his wife. Geraldine, behind the scenes in her antique shop and accompanied her to many antique shows. Ed and his wife moved to the Kern River Valley in 1989 from Riverside County.

In addition to his wife, Geraldine, Ed is survived by daughters Judy Miller of San Jose, California; Denise Olson of Phoenix, Arizona; Linda Klien and husband Tom of Lake Isabella; son Donald, of Wofford Heights; six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. He will be greatly missed.

Arrangements were entrusted to the care of the Lake Isabella Funeral Home.



## Eddie Louis Bud Bud Hess III

Bud was born May 16, 1953, in La Mesa, California, and departed from us on September 27, 1996 at the age of 43. In his adolescent years, he enjoyed his youth, school, sports, nature and things that made him, his family and friends happy.

He graduated from Baldwin Park High School in Baldwin Park, California. Bud was a married man and fathered four children, Christine Lynn Hess, Tawnya Joy Hess, Danille Renee Hess, and Eddie Louis Hess IV.

Bud loved and provided for his family to the utmost of his ability and gave them any protection in need. He spent time in the U.S. Army and worked with military hi-tech equipment and aircraft.

He loved and provided for his family to the utmost of his ability and gave them protection in any need.

He also had and showed love and great affection for his mother Jeannette Eastridge; his sister Deborah Ellen Jones; his brother Jerry Malcolm Hess; his sister Tami Laroque; his brother James Leroy Richie; and his brother Lonnie Wright Richie.

Bud resided in Lake Isabella area for the past five years and has made numerous friends who loved and will miss him with all our hearts.

His employers, Danny and Cindy Rutherford, gave Bud a new look on life and he loved them like they were part of his family and he always spoke highly of them.

Any wrong can be forgiven, but now only prayers are the answer from Bud to us that mistreated him and beg for his forgiveness.

Services were provided by the Kern Valley VFW #7665. The family thanks them very much for the fine job.

#### Marvin M. Wallick

Private family services were held for Marvin M. Wallick, 76, of Wofford Heights. Inurnment was in the Kern River Valley Cemetery, Wofford Heights. A 16-year Kern River Valley resident, Mr. Wallick was born July 23, 1920 in Long Beach, California and entered into eternal rest at his home after a lengthy illness on October 12, 1996.

A retired aeronautical engineer, Mr. Wallick last worked for the McDonnell-Douglas Aircraft Co. He was an active member of the Kernville United Methodist Church where he served on the Board of Trustees. Marvin was an artisan and gifted woodcarver. He was able to carve beautiful ducks and exhibited at various art shows in the valley. He also served his country in World War II in the U.S. Navy.

Survivors include his wife of 55 years, Harriett Wallick of Wofford Heights; his daughter, Judy Dow of Long Beach; two grandchildren, David Wallick of San Diego and Debbie Dibias of Minnesota; his brother Clarence Wallick of Hemet; and his beloved daughter-in-law, Susan Wallick of Garden Grove.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary, Lake Isabella.

## Janet Elizabeth Welch

Janet Elizabeth Welch was born Janet E. Primavera on Feb. 15, 1933 in Wellesley, Mass., and entered eternal rest

on Oct. 12, 1996.

Janet married George D. Welch on Dec. 27, 1950. Mother of two daughters, she and family moved to Bakersfield, Calif. in Sept. 1959, where the children grew up. They moved to Lake Isabella in 1980. She was supportive of her husband's career during almost 30 years with the Kern County Fire Dept.

She was a popular personality with some of the other station personnel for delivering or sending pie, cake or cookies in the evenings and remembering them every holiday.

She was an excellent wife for nearly 46 years, an ideal mother, a beloved grandmother, and a greatly beloved

great-grandmother.

She is survived by her husband George, daughter Adrienne and her sons Pancho and Eddie of San Pedro, daughter Jeanne of Stirling City, granddaughter Amber and great-grandson Kalem of Magalia and granddaughter Robin of Bakersfield. There has been a special place in her heart for her late grandson Eli, who was a victim of leukemia.

Janet succumbed to pancreatic cancer. She will be missed by all. At her request, her remains will be cremated and scattered at sea. There will be no funeral. Her life will be celebrated.

Cremation arranged by Lake Isabella Funeral Home.

Elmer "Whitey" Marksberry

Funeral services for Elmer "Whitey" Marksberry, 78, of Weldon, were held on Tuesday, October 15, 1996, at 11 a.m. in the Valley Mortuary Chapel with Reverend David Graham officiating. Burial followed in the Kern River Valley Cemetery, Wofford Heights. A 17-year Kern River Valley resident, Whitey was born May 10, 1918, in Crescent Springs, Kentucky, and entered into rest at his Weldon home on October 11, 1996.

Whitey had been an active member of the Eagles Aerie #3156 and had been an active bowler and pool player. After their retirement, he and his wife Shirley, had enjoyed traveling together. His family said "he really loved the Kern River Valley." They would like to his many friends in the valley for their many years of friendship.

He is survived by his son, Richard Marksberry of Santa Barbara; his daughter, Terry Hollister of Huntington Beach; his sister Elva Riley of Weldon; five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, those who prefer may remember Whitey by making a donation in his memory to the American Heart Association, 404 Truxtun Ave., Bakersfield, CA 93301

Arrangements by Valley

Mortuary, Lake Isabella.

Sharon Kay Newby

A funeral service was held on Thursday, October 17, 1996 at 1 p.m. at the Rose Chapel in Lake Isabella for Sharon Kay Newby, 53, of Weldon, California, with Pastor Jack Dilley of the Johnsondale Bible Church officiating. Sharon was then escorted to the Kern Valley Cemetery by six pallbearers, family and friends. The pallbearers were Hurcel Watson, Gary Phelan, Gregory Watson Jr., Pat Phelan, and John Potts.

Sharon was born March 15, 1943, in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania to her parents Oran and Sarah Watson. On December 26, 1965, she married Richard E. Newby in Las Vegas, Nevada. Later, Sharon worked in real estate in the Long Beach, California, area until moving to the Kern River Valley three years ago, where she then resided in Weldon. Sharon loved to cook and care for her family. She was prided as being a great homemaker. Though Sharon had been ill for a long period of time, she never complained of her condition. She was a great lover of life and she will be truly missed by those of whom held her close to their hearts.

She is survived by her husband, Richard E. Newby; her mother Sarah Watson of Weldon; herson John Potts of Long Beach and her sister Lynn Watson of Woldon

Watson of Weldon.

Services were entrusted to the Lake Isabella Funeral Home, a Golden Rule Funeral Home. Virginia Anna Bullington

A memorial service was held on Sunday, October 20, 1996, at 3 p.m. for Virginia Anna Bullington, 75, of Lake Isabella with Dr. Marvin Moon, of Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran

Church officiating.

Virginia was born August 5, 1921, in Wichita, Kansas and entered into eternal rest on October 13, 1996. She married Joseph Edward Bullington, Jr. in Yuma, Arizona, on January 6, 1940 and was the mother of two children. She worked for Pacific Telephone as a supervisor for 33 years and was also

the Union Representative for the women of Pacific Telephone. She moved to the Kern Valley area 16 years ago from Norwalk. Virginia was active in her church and enjoyed her hobby of painting. She loved animals and was interested in the conservation of wildlife. She was a devoted and loving mother and a great inspiration and help to her grandchildren. She will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved her, but loved ones find comfort in knowing Virginia is at rest.

In addition to her loving husband Joseph, Virginia is survived by daughter Kristopher Deapen of Phoenix, Arizona; son Bryden Bullington of Taos, New Mexico; eight grandchildren, two great-grandchildren and sister Irene Davidson of

Laguna, California.

Services were entrusted to the care of the Lake Isabella Funeral Home, a Golden Rule Funeral Home.

## Virginia "Betty" McLaren

Funeral services for Virginia "Betty" McLaren, 83, of Bodfish, were held on Monday, October 21, 1996, at 1 p.m. at the Kern River Valley Christian Church with Reverend Duane Splawn officiating Burial followed in the Kern River Valley Cemetery, Wofford Heights.

A 25-year valley resident, Betty was born June 14, 1913 in Greensburg, Pennsylvania. A homemaker, Betty was a member of the Kern River Valley Christian Church and was a devoted Christian woman who

loved life.

She is survived by her son, Jack McLaren of Glendale; her brothers, Don Hostetter and Paul Hostetter; her sisters, Arlene Williamson and Violet Francis, all of California; one granddaughter and two greatgrandchildren.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary, Lake Isabella.

### Paul Ben Richard Swanson

Services were held in the Rose Chapel of the Lake Isabella Funeral Home for Paul Swanson, who, was born to Swan and Svea Swanson, beth of whom were born in Sweden. Paul was born on April 8, 1925 in Spokane, Washington and entered rest after a long illness at his home on October 12, 1996, at the age of 71. Pastor Jack Dilley of the Johnsondale Bible Church officiated.

When Paul was three months old, his parents moved to Alhambra, California, where he remained until he was 17 years of age at which time he joined the United States Navy, serving in World War II. After the service, he returned to Alhambra, and later moved to Inglewood, California. Paul left the Inglewood area in 1982 and retired in the lake area.

Paul was a member of the Kern Valley Bible Church. He also was active at the Johnsondale Bible Church where he sang each Sunday. He also sang at the Skilled Nursing Center at the Kern Valley Hospital on Tuesday nights during the mid-week service. Pastor Jack Dilley states that Paul was very faithful to these three ministries. Paul was a member of the Mended Hearts Club, Toastmasters, the Kern Valley Historical Society, the Friends of the Library and the Writers and Poets Club.

Surviving Paul are his sister Ellen McDonald of Lake Isabella; three nieces, Bobbie Harwell of Lake Isabella; Betty Perigan of Chino, California; and Barbara Rhodes of Riverside, California. Also, twin great-nephews of Bobbie Harwell, Todd and Tim Harwell of Lake Isabella; Barbara's three sons Scott and Steve of Chino, California; and Kenny of New York. All who knew and loved him will greatly miss Paul and all of his talents. Paul has recently had some of his poems published by the poets club.

Services were entrusted to the Lake Isabelia Funeral Home, a Golden Rule Funeral Home

The Changing Days of Youth (Free To Be Young)

by Paul B. R. Swanson, March 19, 1996

How well I remember the days of my youth

Days of falsehood, days of

truth

Days of loss, days of gain Days of peace, days of pain

Attimes poor, never wealthy, but, praise God, mostly healthy.

Free to worship as I please As a young man, to sail the

To serve my country, full of pride

To take my loved one as my bride.

To go through school, free to learn.

To do the things for which I yearn

Free to make friends with those around me

I've had their support when trouble surround me.

I've been a friend in time of need

I've helped brothers with a worthy deed

Oft, life seemed unfair, make no mistake.

It's a constant series of give and take,

Traveling life's highway, l'oft pay a toll

Yet I continue along as I roll Tho now I'm old, I've been

young.
Of life's events, I've often

At times in life, a hard path I've taken

but by God's grace I've never been forsaken.

## Eldron D. "Brandy" Brandenburg

Memorial services were held Sunday, October 27, 1996, at 1 p.m. at the Elks Lodge in Wofford Heights. Officiating were the officers of the BPOE #2358. Brandy was born on May 1, 1919 in Huntington, West Virginia and passed away on October 24, 1996, in Bakersfield, California. He was 77 years old.

Brandy served in the Army during WWII in Panama and in Europe. He was a member of the Elks for 55 years, and the DAV. He and his wife loved to travel and fish. He also belonged to the Kernville Gun Club. Brandy was a wonderful husband and father and a super grandpa.

He is survived by his wife of 54 years, Cecilia of Mt. Mesa; and his daughters, Loal Allen of Washington, Elka Ratliff of Arizona; brother Charles Brandenburg of Florida; and sisters Martha Smallridge of Florida and Margaret Dean of West Virginia; seven grand-children and 10 great-grand-

children.
Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

## Harry Earl Arnold, Jr.

Harry was born in York, Pennsylvania, on November 9, 1923, to Harry and Hattie Arnold.

He attended Temple University in Pennsylvania and then served in World War II in the United States Air Force. Harry later moved to Marina Del Rey, California, where he worked his entire career for Rockwell International as an inspector. He retired in 1980, after 46 years with Rockwell.

He is survived by his companion of 16 years, Monday Rutherford, and his beloved dog, Suzie Q. At his request, no services were held. He passed away at his residence on October 23, 1996. Harry will be greatly missed by those who knew and loved him.

Arrangements were entrusted to the Lake Isabella Funeral Home.

## **Robert Royal Witt**

Robert Royal Witt passed away on October 16, 1996. He was born one of ten children, in Randsburg, California, to James Newton Witt of Tellico Plains, Tennessee, and Nellie Grace Gessell of Mincie, Indiana. He retired after 30 years at Rancho Los Amigo Polio Hospital in Downey as a mail attendant.

He is preceded in death by his wife, Norma Joy; a twin brother, Albert Witt; older brother, Wade Witt; and a younger sister, Mary Weaver.

Robert's surviving family includes his brother, James Witt; sisters Susan Milligan and Margaret Allison, all of Lake Isabella; brothers Hiram Witt of Sacramento, Timothy Witt of Onyx and Mike Witt of Diamond Springs; numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

Robert will be cremated. There was a memorial held at the VFW on October 26, 1996, at 11 a.m. Thank you to those in attendance.

### Benjamin C. Szabo

At his request, no services will be held for Benjamin C. Szabo, 81, of Lake Isabella. Ben was born January 9, 1915, in Houston, Texas, and passed away in a local hospital on

October 20, 1996.

Ben started playing the violin at the age of seven and by age nine he was playing with the Ziegfeld Follies and appearing on many large stages in Europe. After marrying his beloved wife Jean, they entertained and played their music together from San Diego to Tacoma, Washington, to Lake Isabella for 53 years.

He worked for 30 years as a shop foreman for San Diego Gas & Electric Company. For the past two years, Ben has been involved with the Kern Valley Community Orchestra under the direction of Bethany Jones and also started a bimonthly Country Western Jam Session at the Lake Isabella Library, as well as playing on Mondays at the Senior Center for the lunch attendees.

Ben was recently honored by the Kern Valley Exchange Club as their Senior of the Month in recognition of his many contributions to the Kern Valley community. He was a member in good standing of the Amateur Radio Club as a Ham Radio operator. He was also a member of the San Diego Musicians Union since 1936 and a member of the Seventh Day Adventist

He is survived by his stepdaughter, Betty Brooks, of Lake Isabella; his brother, Walter Szabo of San Diego; three grandchildren, Jo Ann Robbins, Larry Stabin and Dr. Eugene Nitowski; several great-grandchildren and greatgreat-grandchildren; nephew, David Szabo and two nieces, Joyce Varonfakis and Sharon Outhouse.

It was Ben's wish that family and friends remember him by making memorial donations to Kern Hospice, 4300 Stine Rd., Suite 720, Bakersfield. California 93313. Ben will be greatly missed by his family and many friends.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary, Lake Isabella.

### Eloise M. Devereaux

Private family services have been held for Eloise M. Devereaux, 70, of Wofford Heights. Born May 6, 1926, in Bourbonnais, Illinois, Mrs. Devereaux passed away on October 20, 1996, in a local hospital after a brief illness.

An 8-year Kern River Valley resident, she was a retired nurse having last worked at Glendale Adventist Hospital. She was a member of St. Jude Catholic Church in Wofford Heights and greatly enjoyed traveling, reading and crochet-

She is survived by her husband, Lawrence Devereaux of Wofford Heights; a son, James Granger of Lafayette, Indiana; a daughter, Kathy Morgan of Bartow, Florida; a sister,

Pauline Merino of St. Ann, Illinois; a brother, Paul La Gesse of Momence, Illinois; and four grandchidren.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary, Lake Isabella.

### Laura Katherine Carmichael

Graveside services were held Monday, October 28, 1996, at 1 p.m. at the Kern River Cemetery in Wofford Heights for Laura Katherine Carmichael of Lake Isabella. Officiating was Pastor Floyd Castillo of the Highland Chapel United Methodist Church.

Laura was born April 2, 1905 in Cabron, Indiana, and passed away on October 22, 1996, in Bakersfield, California. She was 91 years old.

She has been a resident of the Kern River Valley for 28 years and a member of the Highland Chapel United Methodist Church and the 55+ Club. She enjoyed her gardening.

Laura is survived by her nephew, George Infange of Newbury Park, California; and her niece, Dawn Avery Sage of Sacramento, California; stepdaughter, Gloria Morris of Houston, Texas; and her companion and dear friend, Richard Zahnter of Lake Isabella; and her close friend. Thelma Wagner, of Scottsdale, Arizona. She will be missed by

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary, Lake Isabella.

## Theresa B. Christopher

A memorial service for Theresa Bridget Christopher was held at the Rose Chapel at Lake Isabella Funeral Home at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, November 5, 1996. Interment will be in Cloquet, Minnesota.

Theresa was born in Cloquet, Minnesota on October 3, 1905, to Oscar and Margaret McIntyre. She received all of her schooling there and in 1926 married Willard Christopher.

After the death of her husband, Theresa was solely committed to raising their two children. She worked in Torrance for Garrett Air Research Corporation as office manager, purchased her own home, and provided excellent education for her children. She was a strong, independent, family oriented woman.

Her life centered around her children and she instilled into them her commitment to their religious belief, their commitment to hard work and commitment to family.

Theresa moved to the Kern River Valley in 1992. She loved her rose garden, baking for her family and was thankful for every day. She was always there for her four generations of family, ready to listen, give advice or lend a helping hand.

She is survived by her son Bill and wife Mary of Lake Isabella; daughter Mary Ann Steinhauer and husband Robert of Palos Verdes, California; sister Margaret Ann Johnson of Colquet, Minnesota; brother Allen James McIntyre of Minneapolis, Minnesota; brother Harold John McIntyre of Cloquet, Minnesota; seven grandchildren and nine greatgrandchildren. Her brother John McIntyre preceded her in death. She will truly be missed by all. who knew her.

Arrangements provided by Lake Isabella Funeral Home. WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 1996

## Monty W. Bencoma

At his request, no services will be held for Monty William Bencoma who entered eternal rest on October 30, 1996, at a Bakersfield hospital after a lengthy battle with heart disease.

Monty was born in Oakland, California, on April 3, 1941 to Raymond and Grace Bencoma and moved to the Kern River area as an infant where his father was working in the logging industry. It was as a small child he learned the logging business and his appreciation of the great outdoors. Monty worked in the logging business for Sierra Forest Logging Company for 35 years. He loved his work so much his family considered it his hobby.

He passed on to his children his love for camping, fishing, hunting and knowledge of the great outdoors. He enjoyed his children and was a great father to them.

Monty had a great sense of humor and loved to joke with everyone. He loved giving people nicknames, often nicknaming nieces and nephews even before they were born. He also was always there to lend a helping hand to anyone who needed help. His sense of humor endeared him to anyone who knew him and he will be remembered with fondness by all who knew him.

He is survived by his wife

## James Spellman, Sr.

James Spellman, Sr., a Los Angeles area Realtor and technical advisor for television and motion pictures for the U.S. Air Force Recruiting Service, has died. He was 66.

Spellman, a long-time resident of Simi Valley and recently the Lake Isabella community of Weldon in Kern County, died October 26 at the James W. Wadsworth VA Medical Center in West Los Angeles, a family spokesman stated.

Born July 6, 1930, Speilman was a native of Salem, Massachusetts, and a nephew to the late Francis Cardinal Spellman, the popular Archbishop of New York and Military Vicar to the Armed Services during the 50's and 60's. Spellman entered military services with the U.S. Air Force in 1948 and was trained in the food service field. A veteran of the Korean Conflict, Spellman's 22-year Air Force career included overseas tours to Okinawa, Frobisher Bay, Baffin Island and Hawaii. His decorations include the Good Conduct Medal, U.N. Service Medal, American Defense Medal, Occupation Medal (Japan), Korean Service Medal, Longevity Service Award with five oak leaf clusters, the Air Force Commendation Medal and the Air Force Outstanding Service Award.

In his other previous special assignment with the Ground Observer Corps, Spellman was commended by the governor and state civil defense director of New Jersey for his outstanding work. However, it was his nearly 10-year career with the Air Force Recruiting Service that Spellman excelled. In 1964, he was honored as the best recruiter-salesman on the West Coast (an eight-state area) with a better than 200 percent of his recruiting objective across the board – winning the "Top Tiger" trophy five of the six times it was awarded.

As a behind-the-scenes technical advisor to the Hollywood

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entertainment industry, Spellman was responsible for the correct portrayal of Air Force service members in such movies and television series as "No Time for Sergeants," "I Dream of Jeannie," and "That Girl." Prior to his retirement in 1970 as a Master Sergeant, Spellman was honored by the Air Force Association and Senator Barry Goldwater as the top non-commissioned officer in the state of California for all armed forces in 1969, and was top recruiter for the U.S. Air Force throughout the entire United States.

In 1972, Spellman began his civilian career with Red Carpet Realtors and quickly became a Million Dollar Club member the same year. He was rapidly promoted to Vice President and Director of Public Relations for Giant, Inc., the parent company of Red Carpet. During that time, Spellman became a prominent member within The Masquers Club – Hollywood's oldest private theatrical club - working with such notables as Jimmy Stewart, Georgie Jessel, Fred Astaire, Ginger Rogers, Jim Backus, Gene Autry, former Los Angeles mayor Tom Bradley and "Apollo 11" astronaut Buzz Aldrin.

Spellman was also involved with the Variety Arts Theatre of Hollywood and The Magic Castle. He was a Century Club member of the Simi Valley Boys and Girls Club, and involved with fundraising campaigns for "Toys for Tots," numerous golf tournaments and testimonial dinners for Hollywood celebrities, the "Hollywood Christmas Parade" and Christmas parties for underprivileged and needy children.

After brief career moves with Better Homes & Garden Realty of Encino and James R. Gary & Company, Ltd. Realtors in Woodland Hills, Spellman relocated to the Kern River Valley to pursue restoration and remodeling of his A-Frame retirement home overlooking Lake Isabella.

Spellman is preceded in death by his father, Francis James Spellman of Salem, Montana. Survivors include his wife of over 40 years, the former Virginiann Futia of White Plains, New York (now in Weldon); four sons, former Air Force Captain James Spellman, Jr., of Mt. Mesa; Scott Anthony Spellman of Weldon; Darryl Wayne Spellman of Simi Valley; Duane Allen Spellman of Aurora, Colorado; daughter Cindy Jean Marie Spellman Brown of Frazier Park, California; plus four grandchildren, Cory Marie Spellman, Christopher James Spellman, Chad Nicholas Spellman and Christian Allan Brown.

Surviving family members also include Spellman's mother and stepfather, Mrs. Iva and Mr. Phill LaBonte of Salem. Massachusetts; mother-in-law Frances Futia of Weldon; brother-in-law Anthony Futia, Jr. of White Plains, New York; brothers William Spellman of Visalia, California; Richard Spellman of Sanford, Maine: and five sisters, Frances Benway of Silver Springs, Florida; Margaret Goodwin and Mary Schiebe of Salem, Massachusetts; Dorothy MacAskill of Peabody, Massachusetts; Elizabeth Picariello Swampscott, Massachusetts; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Private memorial services with Military Honors rendered by Edwards Air Force Base's nine-member "Blue Eagles" Honor Guard and Rifle Team were conducted at the Los Angeles National Cemetery on November 1, 1996. Separate memorial services and a Celebratory Mass for family members in Massachusetts were held on November 2, 1996. Final interment is scheduled to take place at Arlington National Cemetery in Virginia. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the American Can-

cer Society.



#### Leslie Eugenia Jeanson

A funeral service was conducted Wednesday, October 30, 1996 at the Highland Chapel United Methodist Church for Leslie Eugenia Jeanson of Lake Isabella by Pastor Floyd R. Castillo.

Leslie was born on June 12, 1910, to Roy E. Greenlee and Lola Woodall in the town of Leon, West Virginia. She attended several colleges and universities including West Virginia University, Morris Harvey College, Columbia University, Ohio State University and University of California at Berkeley. She earned masters degrees in botany, biology and teaching.

She taught school in West Virginia for 13 years before entering the U.S. Navy in 1942 where she served as a Lieutenant in the communications field. She married Hugh Jeanson on December 21, 1946, and was released from the Navy after the birth of their first child in 1948

Leslie moved to the Los Angeles area and worked substituting and teaching from about 1953 until she came to the Kern River Valley in 1959. She taught at Kern Valley High School until her retirement in 1975.

She was well known as a botanist and knew most of the plants in the Kern Valley. In her home state of West Virginia, she is credited with discovering a tree that had not yet been found in that state.

Leslie is survived by her two daughters, Ro Silvester of Anchorage, Alaska, and Judith Protiva of Peace Valley, Missouri. She is also survived by two brothers, Ken Greenlee of Indiana and Roy Greenlee of St. Louis, Missouri. Her husband, Hugh Jeanson, pre-deceased her in 1991. There are five grandchildren, as well as many nieces and nephews. She will be missed by all of us. Interment will be at Forest Lawn Memorial Park, Glendale, California, where she will be laid to rest alongside her late husband.

Donations in her memory may be made to the Lake Isabella Senior Center and to the Women in Military Service for America Memorial Foundation, Dept. 560, Washington DC 20042-0560 (Membership #368866).

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Vincent Walter Marcy, Jr.

Vincent Walter Marcy, Jr., was born on April 8, 1948, in Los Angeles, California, to Vincent and Lorraine Marcy. He entered into eternal life on October 27, 1996, in Bakersfield.

He attended Granada Hills High School, Pierce Junior College and Bakersfield College. He served in the U.S. Army during the Viet Nam war. He married Mary Ellen Overman on July 20, 1971 in Burbank, California, and they moved to the Kern River Valley in 1973. He worked with his father at the Vincent W. Marcy Insurance Agency in Mt. Mesa, later purchasing it from his father; and in 1987, he and his son Walter, entered into business as All American Mustang Co., also in Mt. Mesa.

Vincent had a wonderful, quiet sense of humor, loved being with and caring for his family. He was always there to help others, preferring to help

them behind the scenes, taking little or no credit for his kindness. He loved to mine for gold and was a member of Gold Prospectors Association of America. Vincent was also one of the founders of the Lake Isabella Amateur Radio Association and was very active in the group, as well as a member of the Shelby American Automobile Club.

He is survived by his loving wife Mary Ellen; son Vincent Walter Marcy III; daughter Lorraine Ellen Marcy; his mother Lorraine Marcy; uncles Sherwood A. Wagner, Fredrick E. Wagner; mother-in-law Ina Mae Overman; and his beloved Dalmation, Shelby; along with numerous cousins and many friends.

At his request, there will be

no service and in lieu of flowers the family asks donations be made to the Kern Valley Amateur Radio Association, P.O. Box A.M., Lake Isabella.

Arrangements were made by Lake Isabella Funeral Home. Ruth Marie; daughters Monica Kleeman, Montana Bencoma, Michelle Bencoma, all of Weldon; son Timothy Bencoma of Onyx; and nine-month-old grandson, Cole. Monty also leaves numerous nieces and nephews plus brothers Virgil Eller of Weldon; Raymond and Donald, both of Porterville; Gary, Tracy and Nick, all of Weldon; and his sister Trudy Barraza of Bakersfield.

Arrangements provided by Lake Isabella Funeral Home.

### **Betty Jane Olson**

Graveside services were held Friday, November 1, 1996, at 1:00 p.m. for Betty Jane Olson at Kern River Valley Cemetery.—Officiating was Pastor John Carpenter of the Kernville United Methodist Church. Mrs. Olson was born January 21, 1925 in Pennsylvania and passed away October 28, 1996, in Mt. Mesa, California.

She was a resident of the Kern River Valley for seven years. She was very active in the Nazarene Church in Lake Isabella. Mrs. Olson loved traveling, camping and fishing. She visited the nursing center and people around the valley. She never knew a stranger. She was a wonderful and loving mother.

Mrs. Olson is survived by her husband Charles of Lake Isabella; and her daughers Carol Lawrence of Garden Grove; Barbara Beulke of Chatsworth; Ginny Murray of Santa Clarita; Linda White of Oregon; and Terry White of Alaska. She is also survived by her stepdaughters Patsy Eisenhauer of Ridgecrest and Kathleen Forsythe of North Dakota; her stepson Charles T. Olson of Long Beach; and 13 grandchildren.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

#### Katie Ree Leach

Funeral services were field Wednesday, October 30, 1996, at 1:00 p.m. at Olive Lawn Memorial Park in La Mirada, California, for Katie Ree Leach. Officiating was Pastor Paul Washikawa.

Katie was born February 2, 1919 in Black Oak, Arkansas, and passed away October 25, 1996, in Mt. Mesa. She moved to Lake Isabella from Paramount, California, where she lived for many years.

She loved country and western music and spending time with her family. She was a loving mother and grandmother.

Katie is survived by her daughter Judith Swanson of Lake Isabella; and her sons Michael Leach of Lompoc, and Jimmy Leach of City of Orange; and eight grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

## Margaret Lillian Carter

Graveside services were held Monday, November 4, 1996, at 2:00 p.m. at Kern River Valley Cemetery for Margaret Lillian Carter. Officiating was Pastor James Lee of the Valley Community Church.

Mrs. Carter was born September 22, 1912 in Los Angeles, California, and passed away on October 30, 1996, in Bakersfield, California. She was a resident of Bodfish and a Kern County resident for 53 years. She was a member of the Single Side Band Club and her CB handle was "Mom C." She loved to read and crochet and garden.

She is survived by her sons and daughters-in-law, James and Patsy Carter of Bakersfield; and Donald and Lee Carter of Oregon; five grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

#### Charles S. Street

Charles Smiley Street of Lake Isabella, entered into eternal rest on October 26, 1996, at a Bakersfield hospital at the age of 76. He was born in St. Louis, Missouri, on October 17, 1920. He served in World War II in the U.S. Army and was active in the Aleutian Islands Campaign.

He moved to the Kern River Valley in 1975 from Southern California where he had worked for many years for the Herald Examiner. After moving to the lake area, he worked for the Kernville Union School District at Woodrow Wallace in the maintenance department. He retired from there after 11 years of service.

Charles was an avid bowler prior to his illness and he especially enjoyed Francine's Family Restaurant and considered all the waitresses there his special friends.

He was a devoted husband and caretaker to his wife Audrey, who predeceased him in January 1995. Charles is survived by his sisters, Anna May Rengers of Bodfish, and Betty Lou Andrews of Hawaii.

Arrangements were made by Lake Isabella Funeral Home.

# Primo Anthony Pazzelli

Primo Pazzelli was born in a village in LeMarche Providence, Italy on September 14, 1910. As a young man, his father, Antonio Pazzelli, went to the United States, worked very hard and then returned to Italy and married Poalina Paccamicco. Antonio Pazzelli and his wife Poalina, along with their two small children, Susie and Primo. immigrated to the United States in 1913 when Primo was three years old. The family eventually settled in Perris Valley, California where they operated a dairy farm. After the farm was sold, the family, which now included six children, moved to North Hollywood and established a small retail grocery store and wholesale produce business. Primo attended Van Nuys High School.

In 1938 Primo started working as a laborer for Twentieth Century Fox. He worked hard and soon became a crane and dolly operator (the key grip) for famed lighting director, Leon Shamroy. Primo worked on many films, including "The King and I" and "South Pacific".

In 1956 Primo left the studio, moved to Kernville, and with his wife, Leah, started Primo's Deli. Primo and Leah divorced in 1967 and both agreed to sell the business in 1972. During his first years in Kernville, Primo worked hard to establish the Kern River Golf course, and he is a charter member of the Men's Club.

Primo enjoyed retirement. At last he had time to fish and golf and tend to his treasured garden. On October 13, 1972, he married Beth Wood of Kernville. They enjoyed traveling and entertaining friends and family at their home in Kernville.

Primo Pazzelli died November 5, 1996. He was preceded in death by his parents Poalina and Antonio Pazzelli and his sister, Susie Pantalone. He is survived by his wife, Beth; brother, Louis Pazzelli and wife, Irene; sister, Rose Fontanella and husband, Steve; sister, Yola Bruno and husband, Charles, sister, Dolly Magliocco and husband, George and many nieces and nephews.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

# Monty W. Bencoma

At his request, no services will be held for Monty William Bencoma who entered eternal rest on October 30, 1996, at a Bakersfield hospital after a lengthy battle with heart disease.

Monty was born in Oakland, California, on April 3, 1941 to Raymond and Grace Bencoma and moved to the Kern River area as an infant where his father was working in the logging industry. It was as a small child he learned the logging

business and his appreciation of the great outdoors. Monty worked in the logging business for Sierra Forest Logging Company for 35 years. He loved his work so much his family considered it his hobby.

He passed on to his children his love for camping, fishing, hunting and knowledge of the great outdoors. He enjoyed his children and was a great father to them.

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He is survived by his wife Ruth Marie; daughters Monica Kleeman, Montana Bencoma, Michelle Bencoma, all of Weldon; son Timothy Bencoma of Onyx; and nine-month-old grandson, Cole. Monty also leaves numerous nieces and nephews plus brothers Virgil Eller of Weldon; Raymond and Donald, both of Porterville; Gary, Tracy and Nick, all of Weldon; and his sister Trudy Barraza of Bakersfield.

Arrangements provided by Lake Isabella Funeral Home.

A graveside service was held Friday, November 8 at Kern River Cemetery for James Lloyd Moore, 69, who entered eternal life at his residence in Lake Isabella on November 4, 1996. Pastor David Snow of the First Baptist Church in Lake Isabella

officiated.

James was born in Bristow, Oklahoma on February 14, 1927 to Oscar and Mildred Moore. He received all of his schooling in Oklahoma and after moving to California, resided in Santa Paula for 35 years. He married Genevieve Fullerton on January 23, 1971 in Las Vegas and they moved to the Lake area. They spent 3 years in the Kernville area, and were owners of the McCambridge Lodge. They then returned to Oklahoma, settling in Shawnee and about five years ago returned to the Kern River Valley area. James worked for Safeway Food Stores as a meat cutter for 25 years. He was a great lover of the outdoors and loved to attend rodeos.

He is survived by his wife Genevieve of Lake Isabella, his mother Mildred Moore, brother Joe Moore of Phoenix, Arizona, and son Roger Dean Polly of Ventura, daughters Janice Fay Hawkins of Ventura, Tammy Moore of Shawnee, Oklahoma, and Valerie Scott, Meeker,

Oklahoma.

He will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved him.

Arrangements provided by Lake Isabella Funeral Home.

## Austin Lee Eoff

Austin Lee Eoff, infant son of Richard and Kelly Eoff, died on the day of his birth, November 4, 1996 in Bakersfield, California.

## **Robert Clayton** Tucker

A memorial service was held on Friday, November 8, 1996 at the Eagle's Lodge in Mt. Mesa, for Robert Clayton Tucker who passed away at his WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 1996

home in Bodfish on November 5, 1996 at the age of 46. Officiating was Don Wilson, Chaplain of Hoffman Hospice and good friend Joyce Vandenberg.

Robert was born in Los Angeles, California on July 8, 1950 to Hubert Clayton and Reta Mae Tucker. He received his schooling in Downey, graduating from Downey High School. After graduation he entered the U.S. Navy, serving on the U.S.S. Ranger. After leaving the Navy he attended school in Long Beach, taking courses in electronics. He then became a technican, specializing in Copy Machines.

Robert has been a resident of the Kern Valley for ten years and we remember him as the owner of R.C. Copiers. He operated his business until his illness made it necessary for him to remain at home.

Robert is survived by his grandmother, Mary Klatt of Lake Isabella, his wife Sharon, his two daughters Sandy Tucker of Sacramento, Mary Ann Tucker of Marysville and two sons Jonathan Gordon and Zachary Gordon of Bodfish, his brother William Klatt who lives in Kansas and an aunt, Eileen Hale of Florida. His parents preceded him in death.

Robert will be truly missed by all who knew and loved him.

Arrangements provided by Lake Isabella Funeral Home.

## Jacob Robert Borman (Jake)

Funeral services were held Friday November 8, 1996 at 12:00 at Valley Mortuary Chapel for Jake Borman of Lake Isabella, Officiating was Pastor Deryl Lackey of Mt. View So. Baptist Church. Interment was at Kern River

Valley Cemetery, Mr. Borman was born November 6, 1916 in Barns, Kansas and passed away November 5, 1996 in Mt. Mesa, California.

He loved hunting and fishing and sports and his Angels team. He was a wonderful neighbor and friend. He enjoyed hearing the children in the neighborhood play. He is survived by his wife of 53 years, Hazel and his brothers, Henry Borman of Kansas and Edward Borman of Indiana. His sisters, Ester Ammerman of New Jersey and Freda Osgood of Los Angeles, Ruth Nations of Lake Isabella, Gertrude Richardson of Fallbrook, Stella Austin of Kansas, Martha Anderson of Kansas, and sister-in-law and husband, Alma and Edward Baxter of Mission Viejo, California, and many nieces and nephews. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Roy V. Brown

Private arrangements were made for Roy V. Brown who passed away November 6, 1996 in Mt. Mesa. Mr. Brown was born April 8, 1910 in Randolf, Texas and has been a resident of the Kern River Valley for the past 20 years. He loved to fish, and said that's why he moved here. He was preceded in death by his wife Virble. He is survived by his son Ken Brown of Amarillo, Texas and daughter Dolores Stone of Plano, Texas, and 7 grandchildren and 7 greatgrandchildren.

Arrangements by Valley

Mortuary.

#### George Mathas Stewart

Visitation was held Saturday, November 23, 1996, at 4 to 8 p.m., for George Mathas Stewart, age 68. Funeral services were held at 1 p.m. on Sunday, November 24, 1996, at Jones Mortuary in Lakeport, California. Reverend Gerald Hosman officiated. Burial followed at Kelseyville Cemetery in Kelseyville, California, at 11 a.m. on Monday, November 25, 1996.

George was born August 6, 1928, in Story, Arkansas, and passed away at his home of 22 years in Kelseyville on November 19, 1996. Prior to living in Kelseyville, he resided for 21 years in Harbor City, California. He was employed for 27 years at Gallup Plumbing.

He enjoyed traveling and fishing. George was a member of Q.R.A. Travel Club and the Laborer's Union Local #802 in Willmington, California for 27 years.

George is survived by his wife, Roberta (Bertie) Stewart of Kelseyville, California; sons and daughters-in-law: Bruce

and Leslie Stewart of Lake Isabella, California; Jerry and Nancee Stewart of Kernville, California; Bart and Cindy Stewart of Leggett, California; and Barry and Pat Kimberly of Weldon, California, daughters and sons-in-law: Brenda and Kenneth Erhardt also of Weldon; Bea and Steve Sims of San Ramon, California; Linda and Buddy Franklin of Clearlake, California; and Sharon and Fred Daniels of Brush Prairie, Washington. He is also survived by his brothers and sisters-in-law: J.C. and Katherine Stewart of Fallbrook. California; and Bob and Pat Stewart, also of Fallbrook; sisters and brothers-in-law: Lena and Les Haselwood, Lona Hoover, Luna Allen, all of Fallbrook; and Laverne and George Freeman of Ivanhoe, Texas, Other survivors include George's 23 grandchildren, 19 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren; his former wife, Nora Mae Hickock, of Wofford Heights, California; as well as many nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Donations may be made in George's name either to the

American Cancer Society, Mary Sullivan/Memorial Chair, P.O. Box 86, Lower Lake, California 95457, or to the Hospice of Lake Co., P.O. Box 1430, Clearlake, California 95422.

Arrangements by Jones Mortuary, Lakeport, California.

#### Daniel H. Larsen

Daniel H. Larsen passed away at his home in Squirrel Valley at 11:30 a.m., November 16, 1996. He was born October 30, 1914 in San Francisco, California, where he had his schooling. During World War II, he served in the Merchant Marines aboard an aircraft carrier as a fireman in the South Seas.

He moved to Squirrel Valley in 1983, where he built a home. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge for 46 years, first joining in Van Nuys, later transferring to Lodge No. 827 in Kernville. He was also a member of the Loyal Order of Moose No. 498, in Lake Isabella. He attended the Jehovah's Witness Kingdom Hall, Lake Isabella.

Daniel is survived by his beloved Bertha and his only son, John Larsen, of San Francisco. The deceased requested no services. Cremation was by the Neptune Society in Fresno. Glenn Edward (Bud) Mailing

Glenn Edward (Bud) Malling was born in Seattle, Washington, on August 23, 1920. He entered eternal rest on November 15, 1996, at San Joaquin Hospital in Bakersfield, at the age of 76.

Bud received his schooling in Seattle and moved to California where he worked as a Shipfitters helper before entering the U.S. Army to serve in World War II. He served in the Northern Solomons and the Asian Pacific. After leaving the

chinist.

He was a resident of the lake area for 15 years, living in Bodfish.

service, he worked as a ma-

Bud never married and his parents and only brother preceded him in death. However, he leaves close friends, Ottis Simmons, Robert Mott, and Marge and George McCluskey, all of Bodfish. At his request, no services will be held and inumment will be at Riverside National Cemetery.

Arrangements provided by Lake Isabella Funeral Home.

Luther Floyd Sanger

Memorial services will be held at a later date for Luther Floyd Sanger of Lake Isabella. Luther was born September 29, 1924, in Enid, Oklahoma, and passed away in a local convalescent hospital on November 22, 1996. He was 72 years old.

Luther was a retired truck driver and a 25 year resident of the Kern River Valley.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 30 years, Ruth N.

Sanger in 1992.

Survivors include his stepdaughter, Roberta Searl of Tujunga; three grandchildren, Michael R. Martin, David M. Martin, and Michelle M. Wieczorek and his sister, Irene Wysong of Woodward, Oklahoma.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary, Lake Isabella.

Dolores Moore-Weisenberg

Amemorial service was held at 10 a.m. on Friday, November 22, 1996, for Dolores Moore-Weisenberg. Services were held at the Holy Family Catholic Church in Glendale, California, with Reverend Shay officiating. Interment followed at Murmuring Trees Forest Lawn – Hollywood Hills, Los Angeles, California.

Dolores was born June 30, 1914, in Pierz, Minnesota, and passed away November 17, 1996, in Glendale, California. She was a former resident of Wofford Heights, as well as

Hemet, California.

Arrangements by Forest

Lawn Mortuary in Hollywood Hills, California.

#### James D. Linton

James D. Linton, age 74, of Bruneau, died Thursday, November 14, 1996, at a military

base hospital.

No local services will be held. Funeral services were held Sunday, November 17, 1996, at the Church of Christ in Ringling, Oklahoma. Burial followed at the Ringling Memorial Cemetery. Local arrangements were under the direction of Summers Funeral Homes, McMurtrey Chapel in Mountain Home.

James was born September 16, 1922, in Coalgate, Oklahoma, the son of Duffy and Ada

Strickland Linton.

He worked as a rancher and owned and operated Western Store in Lake Isabella, California, selling clothing, feed and vet supplies. He shod horses for the Cavalry, and retired in 1971 as a Lake Patrol Officer from the Lake Isabella Police Department.

James was a World War II veteran. He moved to Bruneau, four years ago from DeKalb,

Texas.

He enjoyed breaking horses, hunting and raising game chick-

ens.

James is survived by his wife, Roxie Linton of Bruneau; his daughter, Gerrie Alsip and her husband, Chris, of Grand View; one brother, Carol Linton; three sisters, Lillian Lawrence, Ruth Price and Lora Skinner, all of Oklahoma; two grandchildren and one great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by both parents.

## **Travis Gail Jordan**

Travis Gail Jordan entered eternal life on November 27, 1996, at Kern Valley Hospital. Travis was born in Hamburg, Arkansas, on August 17, 1923, to Walter and Vera Jordan. He attended grade school in Arkansas, moved to California and graduated from Lincoln High School in Lincoln Heights.

He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. After the war, Travis worked for Dodge Trophy Company and while there, he met Mary Murray, a lovely Scottish lassie and they were married on November 22, 1950. He then began a 30 year career with the County of Los Angeles as a sheet metal worker.

Travis was a member of the local Moose Lodge, loved to fish and was a devoted Christian. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Lake Isabella, where services were held on Tuesday, December 2, 1996, by Pastor David Snow.

He was also a loving father and husband. Travis is survived by his wife of 46 years, Mary; and son, Mark Jordan, of Lake Isabella. He will be greatly missed.

Arrangements made by Lake Isabella Funeral Home.

## Theron Reid Cox

Services were held on Wednesday, November 27, 1996, at the First Baptist Church of Lake Isabella for Theron Reid Cox who passed away at his home in Weldon on the morning of November 24, 1996. Pastor David Snow officiated.

He was born in Pontotoc, Mississippi, on November 16, 1912. He received his early schooling in Tupelo, and has lived in many areas of the U.S. He married Minnie Mae Harris on February 27, 1933 in Blythesville, Arkansas and they lived for 37 years in Kingsburg, California, where he worked for Del Monte Foods Co.

After living in several areas, he found the lake area to be the best and was happiest in the lake area. He particularly enjoyed walking on the vacant land near his home with his two dogs, Nick and Bobby, and until his health prevented him. He enjoyed working on old automobile engines. One of his great joys, were his grandchildren.

In addition to his wife Minnie, he is survived by two sons, Kenneth of Kingsburg, and Rudy of Bakersfield; and daughter Doris of Bakersfield, along with 16 grandchildren and 27 great-grandchildren. He will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved him.

Arrangements made by Lake Isabella Funeral Home.

#### Gertrude Lambert

Funeral services were held on Thursday, December 5, 1996, at 11:00 a.m. at Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church for Gertrude Lambert of Lake Isabella. Officiating was Dr. Marvin Moon.

Mrs. Lambert was born December 31, 1904, in Tahl Harz, Germany and passed away after a long illness in Lake Isabella on November 29, 1996.

She had been a Real Estate Broker for over 50 years, in Indiana, Illinois, Oklahoma and California. She was a Real Estate Broker in the Kern River Valley when she first moved here in 1976. She was a member of the Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church.

Mrs. Lambert is survived by her son Wally Ahlborn of

Munising, Michigan; stepson Morgan Lambert of Lake Isabella; stepdaughter Grace Shanks of Escondido, California; and sisters, Helen Lankow of Illinois; Elise Robbins of Gladstone, Oregon; Charlette Beechler of El Cajon, California; Marge Wollas of Oak Harbor, Washington; and Lois Nabors of Arrow Bear, California; 21 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

# Floyd Edward Carpenter

Floyd Edward Carpenter, a 15 year resident of the Kern River Valley, died Monday, December 2, 1996, at San Joaquin Community Hospital in Bakersfield. He was 77.

He was born on September 30, 1919, in St. Joseph, Missouri. He worked as a lather for

over 20 years.

Mr. Carpenter is survived by Frances Johnson of Lake Isabella; his daughters Cherrie Ruonavaara of Mojave, California; Mamie Markiewicz of Mesa, Arizona; sister Alice Dale of Lake Isabella; seven grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

Graveside services were held on Friday, December 6, 1996, at 1:00 p.m. at the Kern River Valley Cemetery in Wofford Heights. Officiating was Pastor Deryl Lackey of the Mt. View Southern Baptist Church of Lake Isabella.

Arrangements by Ridgecrest

Mortuary.

### Jack "Corky" Tibbetts Huston

A memorial service for Jack "Corky" Huston, age 68, will be held on Wednesday, December 19, 1996, at 1:00 p.m. at Rose Chapel, Lake Isabella Funeral Home, with the local V.F.W. conducting the ceremony.

Corky was born in Bakersfield, California, on August 27, 1928, to Jack and Carla Huston. He attended Bakersfield Schools and Pepperdine College. He was a long time resident of the Kern River Valley. He was interested in all phases of living; a talented artist, avid reader and loved sports.

He served his country during the Korean War from 1951 to 1953 as 2nd Lt. in the Army. He received two purple hearts (one oak leaf cluster) and numerous other battlefield commendations. He suffered the rest of his life from injuries received during this war. He was very proud of and loved his country.

Corky is survived by his wife Carole; son Rocky of Lincoln City, Oregon; son Vince and wife Bodil of Maaloey, Norway; and granddaughter Tiffany Roxanne and a sister, Virginia Easley of Lincoln City, Oregon; his daughter, Roxanne, preceded him in death in 1984. He also leaves hundreds of friends around this valley and the country. He will be buried at the Riverside National Cemetery.

Arrangements provided by Lake Isabella Funeral Home.

## May Hulse Greenway

A private interment was held for May Greenway, age 87, who passed away on December 7, 1996. May was born in Dallas, Texas on September 26, 1909 to George and Willa Hulse. She received her schooling in Texas and moved to the Los Angeles area where she worked as Lead Person for Weber Aircraft. She married Robert Oswald

Greenway on August 28, 1978 and they resided in Northridge, California. In 1982 they moved to the lake area, settling in Bodfish.

May and Robert were active members of the Good Sam Rovers and the Clan Diggers. She was a devoted wife to Robert, who was the true love of her life.

In addition to Robert, May is survived by her sister Dixie and husband Merl Kraus of Riverkern; niece Barbara Jones of Santa Maria; one grand-nephew, two grand-nieces, a great-great-grandnephew and two great-great-grandnieces, all of whom she loved very much.

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

Arrangements were made by Lake Isabella Funeral Home.

## Charles C. "Chuck" Weaver

Services were held on Monday, December 16, 1996, at the Rose Chapel, Lake Isabella Funeral Home for Chuck Weaver who entered eternal rest at his home on December 11, 1996, after a long illness. The VFW conducted the service and his nephew, William Weaver, of the First Assembly of God in Lemoore, California, gave the eulogy. Interment was at Riverside National Cemetery on Tuesday, December 17, 1996, with military honors.

Chuck was born in Poteet, Texas on December 30, 1920, to Frederick and Amanda Weaver. He received his schooling there and moved to the Los Angeles area in 1938. He married Louise Walther in Los Angeles on September 27, 1942. They and their two sons moved to Mt. Mesa in 1955 and opened a bait and tackle shop there, and later developed the Weavers Trailer Park.

He served in World War II in the Army Air Force, flying 21 missions over Germany. He was a member of the local VFW, American Legion and the B-17 Crew and Wingmen. Chuck loved the outdoors and his hobbies of fishing and hunting were shared with his sons and grandson.

In addition to his wife Louise, Chuck is survived by his son Timothy Paul "Pete" Weaver and grandson Timothy, age 9; a sister Mary Jane Moses and husband Bob of Santa Cruz; special niece Mary Elizabeth Lynch of Lake Isabella; nephews Albert and Val Lynch, and Bill Weaver; sister-in-law Sue Weaver. A son Frederick Charles predeceased Chuck in 1991. Chuck was well loved by everyone who knew him and will be greatly missed.

Arrangements made and provided by the Lake Isabella Funeral Home.

#### Laura Jeanne Maeda

Agraveside service was held Saturday, December 14, 1996, at 10:00 a.m. at the Kern River Valley Cemetery for Laura Jeanne Maeda of Weldon. Officiating was Father Charles Casale of St. Jude's Catholic Church of Wofford Heights.

Laura was born November 28, 1916, in Oklahoma. She died December 8, 1996, at the Kern Valley Hospital Nursing Center. She was 80 years old. Laura was a 16-year resident of the Kern River Valley and a member of St. Jude's Catholic Church. She worked as a secretary for the Unisys Corp. for over 20 years.

She is survived by her nieces Donna Akiona of Westminster, California; Stephnie Clark of Washington; and nephew James Aslin of Idaho.

Arrangements by Ridgecrest Mortuary.

### Bertha Mae Williamson

Memorial services for Bertha Mae Williamson, age 75, of Lake Isabella, were held on Saturday, December 14, 1996, at 10:00 a.m. in the Valley Mortuary Chapel with Pastor Deryl Lackey of the Mt. View Southern Baptist Church officiating.

An eight-year Kern River Valley resident, Mrs. Williamson was born January 11, 1922 in Pasadena. She was a retired occupational therapist and served in the U.S. Army for 10 years in the Medical Specialty Corps, retiring with the rank of captain. After moving to Lake Isabella, she enjoyed taking classes at Cerro Coso College and met many wonderful friends there.

She is survived by her husband, Robert L. Williamson of Lake Isabella; her daughter, Linda Leo of Scottsdale, Arizona; and her sister, Elizabeth Johnson of San Pedro.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary, Lake Isabella.

## **Rua Alice Collett**

Graveside services for Rua Alice Cotlett, age 90, a former 20-year Kern River Valley resident, were held on Monday, December 16, 1996, at 1:00 p.m. in the Kern River Valley Cemetery, Wofford Heights with Pastor Floyd Castillo of the Highland Chapel Methodist Church officiating.

Mrs. Collett was born June 14, 1906 in Cherokee Indian Territory before it became the state of Oklahoma. When she was eight years old, she rode with her family in a covered wagon to homestead in Nebraska. She moved to California during World War II.

She is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Margery and J.T. Ferguson of Long Beach; her son-in-law, Casey Jones of Wofford Heights; a grand-daughter Peggy Smith of Yorba Linda; three grandsons, Clint Ferguson of Irvine, California; Cliff Jones of Oklahoma and Keith Jones of Tulare, as well as nine great-grandchildren. Mrs. Collett was preceded in death by her husband, Norton E. Collett in 1989.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary, Lake Isabella.

#### Loris C. Stoner

Funeral services for Loris C. Stoner, age 79, of Lake Isabella were held on Tuesday, December 17, 1996, at 11 a.m. at the Highland Chapel United Methodist Church with Pastor Floyd Castillo officiating. Interment followed at the Kern River Valley Cemetery

in Wofford Heights.

Loris was born March 2, 1917, in Waseca, Minnesota to Edwin and Emma Fretham. the oldest of three daughters. She worked as a bookkeeper at the Farmer's State Bank in Waseca and the D.W. Owen Company in Minneapolis before moving to California in 1948. She married Colonel B. "Red" Stoner on October 29. 1948. They lived in Pacoima, San Fernando and then retired to Lake Isabella where Loris passed away on December 12, 1996.

Loris was an accomplished cook, loved her home and was devoted to her church. She was a member of Highland Chapel United Methodist

Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband on August 29, 1994. Survivors include a daughter Elizabeth Spiegel of Cleburne, Texas; two sisters, Elaine Saltvold of Richfield, Minnesota and Beverly Paulson of Roseburg, Oregon; four grandchildren, Debbie Darling, Susan Singleton and Mike Turk of Arlington, Texas and Patty Hejde of Cleburne, Texas.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary, Lake Isabella.

Elinor Belle Headley

Private arrangements were made for Elinor Belle Headley who passed away December 14, 1996, in Mt. Mesa, Califor-

She was born May 11, 1914, in Elko, Nevada and has lived in Kern County for over six years. She moved to the Kern River Valley after retiring from the grocery business. She owned and operated Elinor's Market for over 20 years. She enjoyed crocheting and making things for others.

Elinor is survived by her sons Donald Headley of Wofford Heights; Ray Headley of Alhambra; and Gene Headley

of Modesto, California; also a sister, Edith Brown of Washington; six grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Chester "Chet" Robert Gorden

Funeral services will be held Saturday, December 28, 1996, at 11 a.m. at Valley Mortuary Chapel, for Chester Robert Gorden. Officiating will be Pastor Deryl Lackey of Mt. View So. Baptist Church. Visitation will be held Thursday, December 26, 1996, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Friday, December 27, 1996, from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Mr. Gorden was born in Half Way, Missouri on November 21, 1921 and passed away in Bakersfield, California, on

December 19, 1996. He served in the U.S. Coast

Guard for four years and has lived in the Kern River Valley for the past 35 years. He was the owner of Chet's Garage for 30 years and was the authorized towing service for

AAA for 30 years.

He is survived by his son Robert David Gorden of Guatemala; daughters, Christina Arnold of Pasadena, California; Cynthia Arnote of Los Angeles, California; eight grandchildren, one greatgrandchild; sister Loretta Dean of Lake Isabella; brothers, Alva Gorden of Quartz Hill; Marvin Goden of Costa Mesa; and Melvin Gorden of Pasadena, California.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

## Fred H. Copeland

Fred H. Copeland, age 74, a 15-year resident of Wofford Heights died Monday, December 16, 1996, while visiting his son Sean in Carlsbad. Born July 30, 1922 in Columbus, Nebraska, he served as a 1st

Lieutenant with the U.S. Army Air Corps during WWII and was an aerospace engineer with the Northrop Corporation

for 37 years.

His survivors include wife Evelyn M. Copeland of Wofford Heights; sons Alan and daughter-in-law Judy Copeland of Huntington Beach: Joseph Copeland of Irvine; James Copeland of Redondo Beach; Philip and daughter-in-law Copeland of Vista; Sean Copeland of Carlsbad; Donald and daughter-in-law Amy Copeland of Woodland Hills; daughters Anita and son-inlaw Kevin Mauch of Moore Park; Kathleen and son-in-law Tom Guy of Leucadia; brothWEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 25, 1996

ers Richard Copeland of Whittier; Robert Copeland of Huntington Beach; sister Dorothy Lyman of Camarillo; and

seven grandchildren.

Visitation was held from 5 to 8 p.m. Thursday, December 19, 1996, at Encinitas Mortuary, 340 Meirose Avenue, Encinitas. A rosary was recited at 2:45 p.m. followed by the celebration of a mass at 3 p.m., Friday, December 20, 1996, at St. John's Catholic Church, 1001 Encinitas Blvd., Encinitas. Private inurnment will take place at Fort Rosecrans National Cemetery, San Diego.

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