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Smokejumper Obituary

Harkness, Edwin James (Missoula 1943)

Ed, 71, died November 28, 1985, in Northfield, Minnesota. He was born February 18, 1914, Dakota County, Minnesota. Ed was a farmer/postal employee when he was drafted into Civilian Public Service in 1942. He was member of the Methodist Church.

Ed was one of the first CPS men who trained as smokejumpers and jumped all three years of the program 1943-45. He is buried in Waterford, MN.

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