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Hatton, William Roger (Missoula 1952)

Bill, 85, died March 15, 2013, in Kalispell, Montana. He lived in Hinsdale, Wheeler and Glasgow in his growing up years and graduated from Glasgow High School in 1946.

Bill joined the U.S. Army after graduating from high school and served 16 months as a truck master during the Korean War.

Following his service, Bill attended Western Montana College before jumping at Missoula in 1952 and 1954, and at Grangeville in 1953. He worked as a logger in Montana and Alaska, and later owned Roto-Rooter franchises in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, and Kalispell.

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