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## **Smokejumper Obituary**

### **Warford, Roger P. (Missoula 1946)**

Roger, 77, passed away June 13, 1999, at the Montana Veterans Home in Columbia Falls after an extended illness. He was raised on the family homestead near Broadus Montana. During World War II, he served in the U.S. Navy in the South Pacific. Roger graduated from the University of Montana in Forestry. While attending school, he worked summers as a smokejumper (46-49). In 1950 he went to work for the BLM, where he specialized in fire control and range management until his retirement in 1978. He worked in Miles City, Malta Bridger and Lewistown before being transferred to Missoula in 1957. Roger and his wife, Esther have been recently living in the Polson area.

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