

Keller, Edward Jacob obit  
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Edward Jacob Keller, 83, who had held a variety of jobs in Billings, died April 8, 2005.

He was born May 29, 1921, in Harvey, N.D., the youngest son of 15 children of Gottlieb and Wilhelmina Keller. He married Caroline Selzler on Oct. 28, 1943. She died in 1993, shortly after their 50th anniversary.

They first lived on the family farm, then moved in 1956 to Billings, where he worked as a police officer, sewing machine salesman, butcher, ice and soda deliveryman, and finally with the Billings street department, where he retired in 1983.

He was a member of Little Flower Parish, Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus, a volunteer for the Yellowstone County Sheriff's Department, the Loyal Order of the Moose, and the Billings South Side Senior Center, where he held many board positions.

After the death of his wife, he spent many hours with a friend, Alice Morin, who died March 9.

Survivors include four children, Sherrie Pelowitz of Boise, Idaho, Vicky Brown of Renton, Wash., Jim Keller of Billings and Terry Keller of Laurel; 10 grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; a sister, Lorene Koenig of Fessenden, N.D.; and two brothers, Herbert and Ted of Michigan.

Visitation and vigil services were held April 11 at Dahl Funeral Chapel. Funeral Mass was on April 12 at Little Flower Parish, with committal in Holy Cross Cemetery.

Contributions may be made to Little Flower Catholic Parish, 209 S. 35th St., Billings, MT 59101

(KC Note - Lorene Koenig is married to Edward Koenig, son of Jacob Koenig and Fredericka Hildenbrand.)