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He was a member of the Aberdeen Eagles No. 24, the VFW Post No. 224 and the 40 et 8 club. He was also a 65-year member of the Croatian Lodge.



He enjoyed fishing the Hoh River and in Alaska. He made wine at home, smoked fish for his family, hunted and cut wood

with an ax. He usually had enough wood to last him for 5 years.

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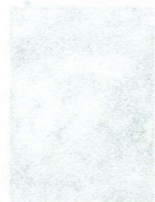
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