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James A. Kelson

James A. "Dolf" Kelson passed away at the Community Hospital E.C.F. Wing April 11 after an extended illness.

He was a resident of Boundary County since about 1928.

He was born to James and Maryanne Lorenson Kelson on November 8, 1894 at Elsinor, Utah, the second of eight children.

Two sisters, Una Anderson and Helen Anderson, both of Deer Lodge, Mont., one brother, Freemont Kelson of Hot Springs, Mont., and his

wife, Stella, of Bonners Ferry, survive him.

He married Stella Douglas in Bonners Ferry, July 7, 1957.

At the age of about six, he moved with his parents to Kilgore, Idaho, where he attended school. For a time, they lived in the eastern part of the Snake River Valley, but later moved to Deer Lodge, Mont.

When he was 22 years of age, he homesteaded in Montana near Deer Lodge, developing the property to a horse ranch, which later

became the famous "Sky Line Horse Ranch."

He came to Boundary County in the late 1920s and worked on farms from the Canadian border to Bonners Ferry.

He later worked for the city of Bonners Ferry and the Kelson Lumber Company and spent the later part of his life in the nursing home.

Graveside services were held Tuesday afternoon, April 13, at Grandview Cemetery with Rev. Bill Green presiding.