

William Henry

Kelsey

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William "Bill" Henry Kelsey, 94, died Wednesday, Feb. 19, 2003 in Las Vegas.

He was born Nov. 6, 1908, and was a resident of Southern Nevada since 1931, residing in Nelson and Searchlight.

A former employee of Babcock & Wilcox, which helped build Hoover Dam, Kelsey worked as a steel fabricator. He later worked as a miner at the Duncan Mine near Nelson, and late built his own mining operation in Searchlight, Kelsey Mining & Milling Co. He later helped run a fishing operation in Avila, Calif., purchased a machine company in Las Vegas, and flew airplanes with the Civil Air Patrol. He was a member of the Lions Club, Boy Scouts as a scoutmaster, Fraternal Order of Eagles, Lodge 1213, where he was past president, and a member of the Elks and Masons. He was president of the builder's exchange and was an advisor on the Nevada Vocational Technical Advisory Council from 1955 to 1956. He was active in softball leagues, bowling, and belonged to the Whirlaways Square Dance Club. He was also awarded the Private Enterprise Award in 1965.

He is survived by his wife, Dorothy.

Services are pending.