



## Edwin Scott Pendlebury

*July 19, 1933 - September 13, 2026*

Billings, Montana

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Edwin Scott Pendlebury, 93, of Billings, died on September 13, 2026. Born in Billings on July 19, 1933; Danish-American cooking and payday thrift set the tone of the house. Early on, he decided that a paycheck and a handshake should weigh the same.

He stitched boots until lasts looked like invitations, not machines. A stitcher bobbin tin with initials rode the bench like company. Colleagues still mention a stitcher bobbin tin.

He and Frances married in 1960 and raised a son and a daughter without needing an audience. After Frances's death in 2019, he held to quiet habits-coffee before dawn, a tended yard, a voice on the phone that still checked in.

Neighbors remember snow shoveled past the corner that was not required. He preferred the hour before a town fully wakes. Billings was home enough that he never rehearsed an introduction. The calendar still has a circle on payday.

What remains is not a legend but a practice: showing up, keeping a promise, leaving a place better than you found it. His life was the kind America is built from and too often forgets to name.

### Services

A quiet remembrance in Billings. Those who wish may give to a neighborhood library, food pantry, or workers' aid fund instead of flowers.

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