

George Robert Dachs, 91

George Robert Dachs passed away on Feb. 15, 2010 of natural causes. He was born on June 3, 1918,



at Deer Lodge to Lukas and Anna Rotzinger Dachs. He attended schools in Deer Lodge and graduated from Howell County High School in 1937.

He then went to work for the Montana Highway Patrol in Helena, serving as bookkeeper and performing other office duties. In 1941, George joined the U.S. Naval Reserve on active duty and served in various posts, including Pearl Harbor.

On Dec. 29, 1945, he married Helen Liming, who was also serving in the Navy, in Memphis, Tenn.

After their discharge from the Navy, they returned to Deer Lodge where George worked for the Milwaukee Railroad as a fireman and engineer. In September 1948, he enrolled at the University of Nebraska Arts and Sciences College. In 1954 he graduated from the University of Nebraska Dental College, and was selected for the dental honorary fraternity,

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George practiced dentistry in Kalispell from 1954 until his retirement in 1982. He enjoyed many summers at Swan Lake where he built a log cabin for the family. He cut trees for the logs and made his own shakes for the roof. He was very proud of that cabin.

George was preceded in death by his wife, Helen, in 2007, following 61 years of marriage; son, Terry, and infant daughter, Kathleen; two brothers and two sisters.

He is survived by daughters, Cherie Shevlin, and Joe, of Helena, and Nancy Posivio, and Bill, of Ronan; and son, Dave, and Maureen, of Cascade. He is also survived by 16 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren; one sister, LaVona Schrieber, of Missoula; and several nieces and nephews.

A memorial Mass will be celebrated at 10:30 a.m. March 13, at St. Matthew's Church in Kalispell. A rosary will be said at 7:30 p.m. Friday evening, March 12, also at St. Matthew's.

Memorials may be made to the Terry Dachs Memorial Award (a scholarship award for graduating seniors with learning disabilities) Kalispell School District No. 5, 233 First Ave. E., Kalispell, MT 59901.

Philip M. Dahl, 71

Philip Mitchell Dahl, youngest son of Charles H. "Charlie" and Nora (Jouert) Dahl, born Feb. 19, 1930, in Dickinson, N.D., died of Parkinson's and Lewy body dementia, Feb. 19, 2010, in Arden City, Idaho.



A Funeral Mass will be celebrated at 11 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 25, at Holy Apostles Catholic Church, Meridian, Idaho. Services will be under the direction of Zenith Funeral Home, Meridian. Condolences may be left for the family at www.acentfuneral.com.

Phil was reared in Wibaux and Missoula. He attended public schools from 1936 to 1948. The Dahls moved to Missoula in 1945. After graduation in 1948, Phil attended university classes and took employment as a Northern Pacific Railway clerk.

In 1950 he hired out as a locomotive fireman and was later promoted to locomotive engineer, the position that he held until he retired.

He also served as secretary for the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen, and was a member of the United Transportation Union and Korean War service for U.S. Army Transportation Corps railroad operations from 1951 to 1953, which added another dimension to an exceptional career. After a 1987 sale of the Burlington Northern in Missoula to Montana Rail Link, his job was relocated to Whitefish. He retired in 1993, after 43 years of rail service.

On Feb. 20, 1951, he married Marjorie Mae Kemmis. Their union produced four children, Philip Mitchell Jr., Andrea Jean, Charles Arthur and Peggy Ann.

In 1971 Phil married Gail Schonrock, who had four children, Mark, Susan, Kurt and Scott.

On June 11, 1988, Phil married Jackie Anstett Young, who had two children, Jeffrey Robert and Rodney Windom. They resided in Kalispell until his retirement, when they returned to Missoula. In 2003 they established a permanent home in Eagle, Idaho.

Phil's energetic life centered upon family activities including fishing, camping, golfing, skiing, scouting and traveling. He traveled to England and went on many trips to Canada and Mexico.

Phil was also involved with the Knights of Columbus, Model Railroad Club in Missoula and Boise, Idaho, Elks, Eagles, square dance clubs in Missoula, Meals on Wheels, and Respite Grandpa for the State of Montana. He volunteered at Dragon Hollow at Caras Park, food banks, the humane societies.

He built benches and tables at Marshall Ski Resort near Missoula. He was an avid reader, loved crossword puzzles, pinochle, and was always a fabulous host.

Phil had a great command of the English language, he was a self-taught carpenter, plumber, electrician and mechanic (a jack-of-all-trades). He also ran for legislator in Kalispell. He was an avid Montana Griz and Boise State Bronco fan.

Phil was a past member of St. Anthony's in Missoula, St. Matthew's in Kalispell, St. Peter's in Wibaux and Holy Apostles in Meridian. Phil also supported the Haiti foundation through St. Alphonsus in Boise. Phil's final gift was that of being a tissue donor.

All who knew and loved him as a family member and friend are richer for that experience.

Phil is survived by his loving wife of 22 years, Jackie, and her children, Jeffrey and Becky, and Rodney and Casey Schlienz; his and Marjorie's children, Philip Mitchell Jr. and Jill, Andrea Jean Dahl, and Peggy Ann and Frederick Asbury; his brother, Victor C., and Beryl Dahl; six grandchildren, Marjorie Poff, Aaron Poff, Justin Asbury, Ryker Schlienz, Kyle Schlienz and Carsen Schlienz; three great-grandchildren, Sarah, Susanna and Abigail Poff; and several cousins, nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by wife, Marjorie Kemmis Dahl; son, Charles Dahl; granddaughter, Chantel Marie Asbury; as well two sisters and two brothers.

A special thanks to David Waite, Dan Majors, David Turley and Gentry Myler, as well to all those who loved and cared for him.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made in Philip's name to your local humane society or a charity of your choice.

Michael Ramon Dalager, 41

Michael Ramon Dalager, 41, died at his home in Kalispell on Wednesday Nov. 17, 2010.

He is survived by his wife, Tami; and children, Mikayla Wisher, Jacob,

Cole and Samantha Dalager.

A celebration of life will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 21, at the Cattlemen's Bar in Kalispell.

Harold Bud Dalen, 89, passed away on Tuesday, March 30, 2010, at the Immanuel Lutheran Home in Kalispell. He is survived by his wife, Ethelyn; and one son, Dr. Gary Dalen. He was born on August 20, 1920, in Watford City, N.D., to Arne O. and Berthine Marie (Anderson) Dalen. He moved to Whitefish at the age of one year, and attended school in Whitefish, graduating from Whitefish High School in 1938. After that, he worked for the Great Northern Railway at the round house in Whitefish. He joined the United States Army in 1942, and served as a railroad engineer in the 759th Engineer Battalion. He began his service in Algiers, North Africa, and hauled munitions and supplies to the front lines in the European theater of operations. He hauled munitions for The Battle of The Bulge. It was a grueling task, where he was without sleep for several days and nights. When he finally got to bed at 2300 hours, he thought he had not slept, because the clock was still at 2300 when he awakened, but he had slept for 24 hours. After three years of service, he finally came home to the bride he had married just before leaving in 1942. She was Ethelyn Torgerson, and they were married for 67 years. He went to work for the Great Northern Railway after the service and retired as an engineer in 1981. His hobbies included fishing and camping. He enjoyed reading and read the Bible from cover to cover several times. He enjoyed his friends and would go to coffee in the morning to visit with them. He especially enjoyed his grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Bud was preceded in death by a son, Buz Dalen, of Albany, Mo.; by a brother, Ole Dalen, of Franklin, W. Va.; and two sisters, Mary Collier of Coulee City, Wash., and Minnie Pike of Whitefish. He is survived by his wife, Ethelyn; one son and daughter-in-law, Dr. Gary and Annette Dalen of Whitefish; four grandchildren, Dr. Paul and Janelle Johnson of Great Falls, Erik and Jennifer Retz of Whitefish, Dr. Jeff and Jenny Dalen of Kalispell, and Jim Dalen of Whitefish; nine great-grandchildren: Dalen Johnson, Daniel Johnson, Diana Johnson, Denae Johnson, Kaleb Retz, Parker Retz, Ben Dalen, Scotty Dalen, and Luke Dalen; a sister and brother-in-law, Arlene and Ken Field of Kalispell; a sister-in-law, Sugar Dalen of Franklin, W. Va.; and several nieces, nephews and cousins. Funeral services for Bud will be held at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, April 6, at the Christian Center/Assembly of God with Pastor Robert Ross officiating. Visitation will be from noon until 5 p.m. on Monday in the Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home. Burial will be in the Glacier Memorial Gardens. Bud's favorite charity was A Ray of Hope, P.O. Box 5407, Kalispell, MT 59901. Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home is caring for Bud's family. You are invited to go to www.jgfuneralhome.com to offer condolences and view Bud's tribute wall.

Mary Dyer Dalen, 88

Mary Dyer Dalen, 88, of Franklin, W.V., formerly of Whitefish, died Wednesday, July 14, 2010 at her home.

Surviving are daughter, Andrea Dalen Larrivee, of New Zealand; and son, John Dalen, of Franklin.

Funeral services will be held 11 a.m. Saturday, July 17, at the Franklin Presbyterian Church with

the Rev. Jim Hovland and Rev. Kevin Hand officiating. Burial will be at Pinecrest Memorial Gardens near Franklin.

The family will receive friends from 6 to 8 p.m. today, July 16, at the Kimble Funeral Home.

Arrangements are under the direction of the Kimble Funeral Home in Franklin.

Joan 'Joni' Dalton, 70

Joan "Joni" Dalton, 70, died Nov. 13, 2010, at the Whitefish Care and Rehabilitation Center.

No local services will be

held. She will be buried in Indiana at a later date.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Irene Doris Darling, 80

Irene Doris Darling, 80, of Columbia Falls, passed away peacefully Wednesday night, June 9, 2010 at the Whitefish Care and Rehabilitation Center in Whitefish, with her husband, son and daughter at her side.

Irene was born Jan. 13, 1930, in Westby, to Archie and Persis Downen. The family migrated westward, first to Browning, then to Coram, in 1936, and arrived and settled in Columbia Falls in 1940. She attended school in Coram and Columbia Falls. On April 10, 1949, she married Marvin "Pete" Darling of Columbia Falls. This year they celebrated their 61st wedding anniversary. Irene worked at the Veterans Home for a short time. She also worked at B & B Foods for nearly 20 years, and at the Aluminum Plant for approximately 10 years as a custodian. She finished her working career at Brendan House in Kalispell.

Irene is survived by her husband, Marvin "Pete", of 61 years; her son, Charles and wife, Maryleigh Darling, of Columbia Falls; daughter, Judith Ann and husband, Steve Benson, of Columbia Falls; three grandchildren,

Evan Darling of Columbia Falls, Charlie and wife, Eve Darling, of Starr, Idaho, and Kara and Bill Gustafson of Columbia Falls; four great-grandchildren, Skylar and Billy Gustafson of Columbia Falls, and Hunter and Tanner Darling of Starr, Idaho; sisters, Clarice Harrison of Whitefish, and Arlene Rowe of Kalispell; brothers, Stan Downen and Richard "Dick" Downen, both of Columbia Falls; lifelong friend, Martha Kassel of Columbia Falls; and numerous nieces, nephews, cousins and many friends.

Irene was preceded in death by her mother, Persis Downen; father, Archie Downen; sister, Ardythe Richmond; and her grandparents, Peter and Lenora Mack.

Graveside services will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, June 15, at the Woodlawn Cemetery in Columbia Falls, with Pastor Ray Davis of Kalispell officiating.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made in Irene's name to the Wildcat Endowment Association, P.O. Box 2932, Columbia Falls, MT 59912.

Arrangements are by the Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls.

John Robin Darrow, 49

John Robin Darrow, 49, a resident of Cusick, Wash., "lifted his sails" on April 9, 2010, concluding his journey here on earth, after a brief battle with cancer. John was born Jan. 2, 1961, in Billings to George and Eileen Darrow. He was raised and educated in Billings.

Then he went on to attend Flathead Valley Community College.

John spent many of his summers in the Beartooth Mountains, hiking, fishing, camping and helping his family run a boat rental business at Kersey Lake. Here is where he developed his love of nature and appreciation of all creation.

In 1984, John moved to the northeastern Washington area where he spent most of his working career as an electrician.

In John's spare time, one would find him with family and friends, whether it was walking his dogs, hiking in the mountains, at his cabin or laughing and enjoying life



to its fullest.

John was a member of the American Legion Club, Post 217 in Cusick. John was a good friend and neighbor to all he knew.

John was preceded in death by his mother, Eileen Riedl Darrow; and his stepmother, Elna Eshom Darrow.

John is survived by the love of his life and soul mate of 11 years, Rose Murphy, and her three daughters and grandkids of Washington; his father, George Darrow, of Bigfork; his sister, Karen Darrow, of Whitefish; and brothers, Roy Darrow and wife, Jeanne, with their two daughters, of Powell, Wyo., and Reed Darrow and wife, Cathie, with their five children of Kalispell.

"John, we will always miss your huge smile and broad shoulders! Love you, dear son, brother and uncle!"

Sherman-Knapp Funeral Home and Crematory will be caring for the family. John's ashes will be scattered at a later date, at his beloved Kersey Lake, out of Cooke City.

Family and friends are invited to sign the online guest book at shermanknapp.com.

Andrew E. 'Andy' Davidson, 62

Andrew E. "Andy" Davidson, 62, passed away at home Friday, Jan. 15, 2010, after a long struggle with multiple myeloma. His parents had both died young, and he considered each passing year a blessing, especially after surviving kidney cancer in 1999.

Andy was born Sept. 1, 1947, in Graceville, Minn., the son of Harry B. and Anne Davidson. He lived in Beard-sley, Minn., until he was 12, when the family moved to a farm in Boy River, Minn. He served in the U.S. Army in Georgia and in the Army National Guard in Colorado, achieving the rank of sergeant.

He first came to the Flat-head Valley in 1974 and fell in love with the area. He moved permanently to Montana in the early 1980s. Andy held a variety of jobs, including construction and maintenance, before health problems caught up with him and he went on disability.

Andy and Andrea Hull were married Feb. 16, 1991,

resulting in a union known to acquaintances as "Andy and Andy."

Ever since his youth, Andy enjoyed the outdoors. Along with hunting and fishing, he added gold panning and digging for crystals to his interests. He also had a lifetime interest in building cars, some of which were deliberately run off the edge of the gravel pit. His adventures and hobbies, including collecting Hot Wheels, model trains and going to yard sales, led to a gift of storytelling and many good friendships.

Andy is survived by his wife, Andrea, at the family home. He also is survived by his brothers, Lester and Sheila, and Glenn and Joyce; sister, Betty; children, Violet and Robert Mulligan, Rollin, Andy Jr. and Ellen, and Tammy and Scott Casey; 14 grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

Memorial services will be held at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 20, at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home. If desired, memorials can be made to Wings Foundation or Home Options Hospice Care.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.



Lois Dasonville, 73

Lois Dasonville, 73, died Wednesday, Dec. 1, 2010, at Lakeview Care Center in Bigfork.

Her remains will be

delivered to the Chapel of the Chimes in Glendale, Ariz. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Jayne E. Dauphine, 68

Jayne E. Dauphine, 68, died on Sunday, May 23, 2010, at St. John Lutheran Hospital in Libby.

Survivors include her husband, George Dauphine, and children, Shayla Neubauer, Shelly Whitworth, Sharla Can-

dee and Tony Long, all of Libby.

Services will be at 4 p.m. Thursday, June 3, at City of Libby Cemetery.

Arrangements are by Schnackenberg & Nelson Funeral Homes and Crematory in Libby.

Arthur William 'Skip' Davis Jr., 68

Arthur William "Skip" Davis Jr., 68, passed away on Thursday, Sept. 23, 2010, at his home in Kalispell, with his family by his side.

Skip was born on Aug. 24, 1942, in Maywood, Calif., to Arthur and Juanita (Daly) Davis. Skip lived in numerous places when he was young, because of his father's work in construction. They eventually settled in Boise, Idaho.

Skip worked as a master metal finisher in the chrome plating business for 25 years.

Skip was married first to Judy. They had two children, Tammy and Lori; they later divorced, and he then married his second wife, Shirley.



They had three children, Chad, Christy and Alondra.

Skip married Dianne Trevino on May 20, 1980. They celebrated their 30th anniversary in 2010. Skip and Dianne had three children, James and wife Nykole Davis, Joshua and wife Kerry Davis, and Allison Davis and Dan Moulton; and 11 grandchildren; as well as two lifelong friends, Fred Silva and John Dickman.

Skip and family moved to Montana in 1984 so they could raise their children. He loved hunting, fishing, huckleberry picking and picking mushrooms.

Memorial services will be held at 1 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 3, at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home. A potluck reception will follow the service at 124 Swan Ridge Court in Kalispell. You are invited to go to www.buffalohillfh.com to leave your condolences.

Frank G. Davis, 61

Frank G. Davis, 61, of Troy, died Saturday, Aug. 7, 2010, at his home due to cancer.

He worked for Asarco Inc. as a welder, owned and operated Frank's TV/VCR Repair and later was a supervisor at the Ascent/NWA Academies in Naples, Idaho.

Survivors include his wife Pam, daughter Angie Huisentruit,

and son Brad Davis, all of Troy; and children, Frank Davis Jr., and Lorelei Verba, both of New Jersey.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 14, at the Troy Community Baptist Church in Troy. Visitation will be from 1 to 5 p.m. Friday, Aug. 13, at Schnackenberg and Nelson Funeral Home in Libby.

Joann Thelma Davis, 71

Joann Thelma Davis, 71, "went home to be with her Heavenly Father" on Nov. 8, 2010.



She was born in Cut Bank to Fred R. and Lillian Poore Sept. 16, 1939. She was a graduate of Sunburst High School, in Sunburst. Joann moved to Spokane and was a graduate of Kenman Business College. She taught at the Business College, as well as held several other jobs while living in Spokane.

On Sept. 4, 1965, Joann married the love of her life, David L. Davis. During the next several years they were blessed by two wonderful sons, Davey and Scottie. After living in numerous areas of the U.S. with Dave's job, they settled in Hillsboro, Ore. During those years Joann and Dave operated a construction business and were active at First Church of the Nazarene in Hillsboro.

In 2000, Joann and Dave retired. Not being able to decide where they would live permanently, they built a summer home in the mountains of western Montana and wintered in Mesa, Ariz.

At Condon Community Church, Joann was a constant source of meals and encouragement for others needing help.

As "snowbirds" in Arizona, she and Dave were active members of The Church of the Nazarene Apache Junction. In the warmth of the Arizona winters, Joann became a social butterfly! For

several years she was president of the Social Club Committee at Casa-de-Paz, their condo complex. She was also the water aerobics instructor and was lovingly called "The Mayor" of the complex.

Joann loved crafts of all sorts and was constantly teaching her friends a new skill. But most of all, Joann was known for her beautiful smile and her wonderful faith in her Lord Jesus Christ.

Joann was preceded in death by her parents; her half sister and husband, Betty and Dick Quantz; and half brother, Fred Poore, Jr.

She is survived by husband, David L. Davis of Condon; sons, William David Davis and wife, Becky, of Hillsboro, and Scott Kevin Davis of Condon; grandsons, Kris, 11, Jake, 11, and Luke, 9; brothers Robert and Wanda Poore of Kalispell, and James and Helen of Seattle; and numerous other family members. Joann was especially proud of her three grandsons and was so pleased they recently accepted Christ and were baptized.

A celebration of the life of Joann will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Nov. 20, at

Condon Community Church, Condon.

Donations in memory of

Joann can be sent to Mission Christian School, P.O. Box 1155, Condon, MT 59826.

Ramona A. Davis, 81

Ramona A. Davis, 81, formerly of Columbia Falls and the Mission Valley, died Sunday afternoon, Aug. 1, 2010, at her daugh-

ter's residence in Butte. Services are pending under the care of KT Riddle Funeral Homes, Anaconda.

Ruth Ellen Davis, 75

Ruth Ellen Davis, 75, passed away on Saturday, Feb. 13, 2010, at her residence in Kalispell. She was born on



Sept. 2, 1934, in Elk River, Minn., the daughter of Andrew and Olive (Stimson) Davis.

She was the youngest of six children. Although born in Minnesota, her maternal grandparents homesteaded in Pablo in 1917, and family members regularly visited Montana often as runaways.

She graduated from Elk River High School in 1951, then graduated from the University of Montana in 1960 and from Arizona State University with a master's in social work in 1967. Ruth began work at the Flathead County Welfare Department in 1967, working as a social worker, supervisor and then director of the office for 20 years before retiring in 1993.

She belonged to the Flathead Valley United Church of Christ, which is newly renamed Congregational United Church of Christ, an open and affirming church that welcomes everyone. She

was also a member of the Northwest Montana Accordion Association.

Ruth believes that she was given the gift of this great community and state.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Andrew and Olive Davis, and an older sister Marion Kaye Davis.

She is survived by brothers Orrin "Bud" Davis and wife Catherine of Lake Park, Minn., Gordon Davis and wife Nona of Princeton, Minn., Richard Davis and wife Ann of Monticello, Minn., and Andrew Davis and wife Marian of McGregor, Minn.; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Memorial services for Ruth will be held at 5 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 16, at Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home. U-burial will be at a later d

The family suggests any memorial contributions be sent to the Whitefish Music School, 432 Spokane Ave., Whitefish, MT 59937, or the Flathead County Animal Shelter, 225 Cemetery Road, Kalispell, MT 59901.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home is caring for Ruth's family. You are invited to go to www.jgfuneralhome.com to offer condolences and view Ruth's tribute wall.

Tony Paul Davis, 56

Tony Paul Davis, 56, formerly of Whitefish, passed away peacefully on March 6, 2010, at Fairfax Hospital in Falls Church, Va., from complications related to open heart surgery. Tony was born May 14, 1953, in Dallas to parents, Lola Belle and Ollie Davis. He graduated from Duncanville High School in 1971, and immediately upon graduation struck out for Fraser, Colo.

There he discovered his abiding love of the mountains and became an expert snow skier, working as a ski instructor at Winter Park Resort. During that time he met Constance Davis (née Davis), whom he married in 1976, and remained wed to for 30 years. They eventually moved back to Texas in 1983, and Tony worked at the Frito-Lay plant in Irving for the majority of their 15 years there.

In 1998, Tony and Connie packed up everything they owned in a single moving truck and re-invented themselves as bed and breakfast owners, buying the Eagles Roost Bed and Breakfast in Whitefish. Through continual renovation and thanks in part to Tony's knack for fixing, building and rebuilding just about anything, they transformed the modest house into a homey, inviting destination. Their guests often became friends, and many were fond of Tony's frequent laughter and warm disposition.

In addition to the bed and breakfast, Tony also worked for stints at Safeway in Whitefish and Lowe's in Kalispell before moving to Sterling, Va., in 2008 to live with his son, Jason.

Tony loved Montana, which enabled him to once again indulge his lifelong love of skiing and the mountains. He liked fishing its waters, and taking in the



sights of Glacier National Park in his signature wool hat.

The consummate handyman, his family will forever remember him with a tool belt slung about his waste, engaged in the latest remodeling project.

He was also a devoted father to his sons, Jason and Nathaniel. He always enjoyed hearing about the goings-on of their lives, and was the type of father who was not only a fixture at his sons' football games, but at their practices as well. He combined his love of his sons with his strong faith in the Lord and volunteered with the church youth group when they were young. Tony's faith was one of his defining characteristics, and guided and strengthened him throughout his life.

Tony also loved being the grandfather of his two adoring grandchildren. "Papa" was commonly found reading them stories, and passed many an hour swinging them in their backyard swing.

Mourning his loss are his sons, Jason Davis of Sterling, Va., and Nathaniel Davis of Huntington Beach, Calif.; their mother, Constance Sutliff, of Columbia Falls; daughter-in-law, Christina Davis; grandchildren, Madeline and Luke; brothers, Larry Davis of Irving, Texas, and Tim Davis of Cedar Hill, Texas; sister, Janice Aldrich, of Adkins, Texas; numerous cousins, nephews, extended family members, and friends.

Preceding Tony in death were his parents, Lola Belle and Ollie Davis; and sister, Sharon Davis.

A memorial service is scheduled for 1 p.m. on April 7, at Irving Bible Church in Irving. A reception will follow at the church.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the American Heart Association. To express condolences please visit www.carepages.com/carepages/PapasHeart.

"Time to rest now, Dad. We love you. See you soon..."

Randy L. Dawdy, 53

Randy L. Dawdy, 53, passed away on Tuesday, Dec. 28, 2010.

He was born on March 16, 1957, in Myrtle Point, Ore., to Leigh and Hazel Marie (Bear) Dawdy.

He will be profoundly missed by family, loved ones, devoted friends, and the community of Whitefish where he made his life and was known as the "Voice of the Bulldogs."

Randy returned to Montana as a baby. He graduated from Whitefish High School in 1976, where he played football. After high school, he worked for Home Lumber in Whitefish; later he went to work as a custodian in the Whitefish schools. He also worked for the Whitefish Parks and Recreation and could be seen every summer riding the mower around the parks and byways of town. He was very involved in the community and volunteered his time generously. Although Randy did not have children of his own, he was devoted to the children of Whitefish.

He was a Glacier Twins baseball member from 1973 to 1991, and served on the board of directors in 1988. He was a Little League volunteer from 1976 to 1991. He was a member of the American Legion Baseball Volunteers and was a Whitefish Chamber Youth Activities volunteer guard throughout the 1980s.



For 30 years, Randy announced all the high school sporting events and was affectionately known around town as "The Voice of the Bulldogs." He was inducted into the Whitefish High School Hall of Fame in 2005 for his continual support to the students of Whitefish. As it reads on his plaque that is in the high school foyer, "Friend of WHS Athletics Forever."

In any spare time that he had left, he was fishing, especially Upper Whitefish Lake. His fondest adventure was a fishing trip with his father to Alaska. Randy loved the outdoors and enjoyed traveling through the various mountains and parks around Whitefish.

Randy was preceded in death by his father and mother, Leigh and Hazel Marie (Bear) Dawdy.

He is survived by his sister, Leona, and Bob Karl; nephew Ryan and niece Megan, of Edgewater, Md.; his aunt, Shirley Hughes; uncle, Ray, and Bette Bear; and cousins in Kalispell.

A memorial service is planned for 4 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 5, at the First Baptist Church of Whitefish, 6232 Hwy. 93 S. Whitefish.

The family suggest donations be sent in Randy's name to: Dialysis Patient Fund, 135 Commons Way, Kalispell, MT 59901; or the American Kidney Fund, 610 Executive Blvd No. 1010, Rockville, MD 20852.

Austin Funeral Home will be taking care of Randy's family.

Rodrigo Soto DeAlvarado, 36

Rodrigo Soto DeAlvarado, 36, passed away April 12, 2010, at his favorite hiking trail in Lone Pine State Park. He was born

an identical twin to parents Marco Aurelio DeAlvarado and Sharron Bozman Rigg on Sept. 1, 1973, in Missoula. He grew up living in many Montana cities, enjoying the splendid natural beauty and recreation each offered, graduating from Shelby High School, as well as Flathead Valley Community College.

He is survived by Neva Fladager and Korrie DeAlvarado; his children, Carlos, Isabella, Jethaniel



adopted father, Marty Rigg; brothers, Paulo and Jodie Rigg, and Donato and Carolyn DeAlvarado-Rigg; grandmothers, Della Bozman and Dottie Gomer; and nieces and nephews, Brady, Mystie, Tanner, Nolan and Sydney.

"He joins grandfather, Ray; and grandparents, Peter and Lillian, in the afterlife."

Rodrigo had always favored one quest ... one God, one spirit, one lesson.

Services will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, April 17, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 202 Brooks St., Missoula, followed by interment at Missoula City Cemetery. Please join family and friends as we say good-bye and share our love and memories of Rodrigo, who was a loving father, companion, brother, son, and avid outdoorsman.

Cynthia Lee Dean, 54

Cynthia Lee Dean, 54, died Saturday, March 27, 2010.

She is survived by her mother, Thelma Dean of Bonners Ferry, Idaho; and sister, Susan Dean of Kootenai, Idaho.

Visitation will be from

1 to 8 p.m. today, March 30, at Schnackenberg & Nelson Funeral Home in Libby. Services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday, March 31, at the funeral home with interment following in the Grandview Cemetery in Bonners Ferry.

Joan Taylor DeRosia, 74

Joan Taylor DeRosia, 74, of Kalispell, passed away from cancer on Wednesday, Aug. 4, 2010.

She was born on Oct. 12, 1935, to John and Edith Taylor in Wenatchee, Wash., and was raised in the Kalispell area. She attended grade schools in Cut Bank, West Glacier, Kalispell and Evergreen, and graduated from Flathead County High School in 1955.

Joan worked at various secretarial jobs in the Flathead Valley, and worked at Aluma Glass for 18 years.

Joan married Chester DeRosia in 1965, and they were married for 20 years. She met Aaron Hall in 1989, and he was her partner until his death on March 28, 2005.

Joan's interests included golf, embroidery and crocheting.

Joan was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Chester DeRosia; and her partner, Aaron Hall.

Joan is survived by her partner, Richard Ortiz; her daughters, Carolyn Taylor (Bob) Cornelius, and Wendy Larson; sons, Gary (Stacy) Taylor, and Bob DeRosia; brother, John E. (Kathy) Taylor; sister, Rosella Proefrock (Lee) Isaacson; grandchildren, Brian Larson, Victor (Christina) Larson, Kayla Larson (Jason Counts), Todd Griffin, A.J. Griffin (Clifton) Slay, Ryan (Lillie) Griffin, Daisey (Brad) Davisson, Samantha DeRosia (David Decker), and Miranda DeRosia; great-grandchildren, Haylee Larson, Koda Larson, Kagen Larson, Ella Counts, Larkin Griffin, Hawkin Griffin, and Jason Davisson.

Cremation has taken place and burial will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, August 12, at Fairview Cemetery in Columbia Falls. Memorials may be sent in Joan's name to a hospice of the donor's choice. To send condolences to the family, please go to www.buffalohillfh.com. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.



Elizabeth Betty Ann Deaton, 54

Elizabeth "Betty" Ann Deaton, 54, of Eureka, lost the battle to ovarian cancer on May 27, 2010. Betty was born July 10, 1955, in Great Falls. While she grew up in Cut Bank, she lived in other towns in Montana.

She later moved to Port Angeles, Wash., where she lived for many years. About eight years ago she moved to Eureka where her mother and father were.

Betty was diagnosed with ovarian cancer stage 4 last year. She went through many rounds of chemo treatments, but her body kept resisting. She fought long and hard, 'til her very last breath. She passed away at the Whitefish

Hospital at 10:30 p.m. Thursday night.

Betty will always be remembered as a survivor in our hearts. She will be loved and missed by many.

She is survived by her mother, Vivian Sandell; sisters, Kathy Totten of Eureka, and Wilma Sandell; and brother, Lloyd Sandell, of Bremerton Wash; three children, Chari Camper, Billy Deaton and Jennifer Deaton, and two grandchildren, all of Port Angeles.

Betty was preceded in death by her father, William Sandell; and sister, Christine Jolly.

Private arrangements are by Austin Funeral Home.

Daniel F. Deck, 96

Daniel F. Deck, 96, passed away on Sunday, March 21, 2010, at Big Sky Senior Community Living. Dan was born Dec. 3, 1913, to Jacob



and Rose Deck in McArthur, N.D. He attended high school in Wolf Point and attended Northern Montana College in Havre.

While at Havre, he met his future wife, Laura, who sat across from him in class. They were married in 1939 and together they raised three children.

Dan led a full life with his occupations of busboy, janitor, produce manager, meat cutter, buyer, store manager and owner. His jobs took him to Glasgow, Sunburst, Cut Bank, Lewistown, Missoula, Great Falls, Vancouver, Wash., and Lyons, Colo.

In 1976, Dan retired and he and Laura moved to Kalispell and Polebridge. Thirty years of retirement enabled them to entertain their friends and family at Polebridge.

Dan and Laura liked to host the annual Presbyterian Church Fourth of July gathering. Dan liked to play bridge, cribbage, poker, and

created art in latch hook projects. He and Laura kept busy with volunteering and their daily walks.

Dan was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Laura, who died in 2004; four sisters; and one brother.

Survivors include son, Denis Deck, and wife, Sandy, of Salt Lake City; son, Douglas Deck, and wife, Christie, of Thompson Falls; daughter, Danette, and husband, Ray Johnson, of Anaconda; grandchildren, Stuart Deck and wife Betsy of Euleess, Texas, Stephanie Sandell and husband Sam of Tetonia, Idaho, Wade Johnson and wife Jamie of Anaconda, Russ Johnson and wife Bobbie of Portland, Stan Johnson and wife Kim of Olympia, Wash., and Leslie Deck of Kalispell; great-grandchildren twins, Layne and Logan Johnson, Claire and Ellie Johnson, and Lawson Deck.

We will treasure our memories and are grateful to all who crossed his path and contributed to his healthy, long, and productive journey here.

As per his request, no funeral services will be held.

The family requests memorials to the First Presbyterian Church of Kalispell.

Cremation was under the care of the KT Riddle Funeral Homes, Anaconda.

Margaret P. Decker, 88

Margaret P. Decker, 88, a longtime Libby resident, died Wednesday, Sept. 29, 2010, at St. John's Lutheran Hospital from natural causes.

She ran Decker's Records and Novelty Shop and was the bookkeeper for Decker Logging for many years.

Survivors include her

children, Charlie Decker, Esther Parker and Mark Decker, all of Libby.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 6, at the Libby Christian Church in Libby. Visitation will be from 1 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 5, at Schnackenberg and Nelson Funeral Home in Libby.

Margaret A. Deering, 90

Margaret A. Deering, 90, passed away just before noon on Aug. 3, 2010. Margaret was born Dec. 18, 1919, in Waska, Mont., the fifth of six children born to Knute and Anna (Hoversland) Kolden, and was the last living sibling. She was born on "The Cottonwood" north of Wolf Point, and graduated from high school in Wolf Point in 1938 with her cousins, Reuben and Reinert Hoversland.



Margaret heard the Gospel and decided to dedicate her life to Jesus at age 13, when two homeless preachers had meetings in their neighborhood. Her mother Anna, brother Harold, Uncle Andrew, Aunt Marie, and many of her cousins also accepted Christ in those meetings. Margaret often said that living for Christ was the most important thing in her life and remained faithful until the very end.

Margaret worked for "Ma Bell" as a telephone operator and met her future husband, Eugene "Gene" Bunker, on the phone, where he proposed before he had even met her. They were married Aug. 14, 1941. Margaret and Gene moved to Great Falls, where their four children were born.

She was a very talented artist who specialized in

oil, acrylics and watercolor painting. Margaret could do anything she set her hand to — painting, pottery, wood-carving, basket making, stained glass, bobbin lace, spinning, rosemaking, wood turning on a lathe, storytelling, and she even did all the arc welding for a house trailer that she and Gene built. She wrote an autobiography called, "The M.A.D. Story" which was a very interesting read but never made the New York Times bestseller list.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Gene Bunker; second husband, Fred Deering; her parents; and all of her siblings: her sister Aagot, and her brothers Harold, Leif, Einar and Leslie.

Margaret is survived by her daughters, Margie and Bill Padgett of Kalispell, and Alice and Cecil Benjamin of Shelby; sons, Ben and Julie Bunker of Los Molinos, Calif., and John and Roxanne Bunker of Pocatello, Idaho; and stepchildren, Glen, Linda, Judy, Kay and Wayne; as well as numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Memorial services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 7, at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home. Graveside services will be held at 9:30 a.m. Monday, Aug. 9, at Highland Cemetery in Great Falls.

To send condolences to the family, please go to www.buffalohillfh.com. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Genevieve McCarthy Demerest, 93

Genevieve McCarthy Demerest, 93, died Monday, June 14, 2010, at the Immanuel Lutheran Home in Kalispell.

She is survived by a daughter, Elaine Elam;

and one son, James Demerest.

No services are scheduled at this time.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Mary Alice DeVries, 102

Mary Alice DeVries, 102, formerly of Polson, died Friday, July 30, 2010, at The Springs at Whitefish Assisted Living Community, where she had currently been residing.

A memorial service will be held at 3 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 1, at Polson Community Church.

Grogan Funeral Home and Crematory, Polson, is assisting the family.

Patricia Rose Dolven

A memorial service for Patricia Rose Dolven, 69, who died Jan. 5, will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, June 19, at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

James E. DeLong, 87

James E. DeLong, 87, died Friday, May 21, 2010, in Kalispell. He was born May 16, 1923, at Shawnee, Okla., to Jacob and Amelia DeLong.

He served in the U.S. Navy, serving two tours in the South Pacific in 1943 and 1944; he was one of five brothers who were serving in the Armed Forces at the same time.

One of his first jobs after the war was as a lineman building power lines to Eureka; that is where he met Helen Shenefeld and they were married, a union which lasted 55 years. They raised four children together and moved throughout the western U.S.

Golf was his passion and he was involved in Meadow Lake Country Club at its beginning. He retired as greens keeper from there and, in his early 80s, coached the Eureka high school golf team.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Helen, and daughter, Virginia.

Surviving him are his three sons, Tom and Annette DeLong; Dennis and Susan DeLong, and Kevin DeLong; eight grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, May 29, at Tobacco Valley Cemetery in Eureka. Austin Funeral Home is assisting the family.

Christina Amelia delPulgar, 102

Christina Amelia delPulgar "left this earth" on July 30, 2010, "to join the love of her life, Santiago," who



predeceased her in June 1995 after 56 years of marriage.

She was a kind and gentle person who was much loved by her family. Christina was born in Brooklyn, N.Y., on Oct. 16, 1907, to Lewis Mornwig and Wilhemina Christina Jacob. Christina attended schools in the New York area. At the age of 22 years, she married Antonio Palmer and lived several years in Aruba. This union produced a daughter.

Several years later they were divorced.

Christina returned to the U.S. and worked for Pepsi Cola and American Chickel. She soon met Santiago at a New Year's Eve party. Every Saturday for a year she received a dozen red roses from Santiago before he asked for a date; and on May 27, 1939, they were married. Three years later a daughter was born to them.

Upon their retirement Christina and Santiago moved to California and took up raising and caring for an avocado farm in Fallbrook for 18 years, raising all kinds of fruit and vegetables. Christina then discovered her flair for painting in oils and later, watercolors. Upon their second retirement, they moved

to Oceanside, Calif., where they resided until Santiago passed away.

Christina moved to Somers in 1996 to be closer to her daughter.

She was also predeceased by her parents and her sister, Edna Wall.

Christina is survived by her beloved daughters, June Palmer of Hot Springs, S.D., and Diana Kouns of Somers; grandchildren, Derek Morton of Medford, Ore., and Christina Scott of Somers; great-grandsons, Sgt. Tomar and Vida Scott, and Sgt. Brandon Scott, both of Reynoldsburg, Ohio, Cory Richardson of North Hollywood, Calif., and Spc. Courtney Richardson of Fort Carson, Colo.; and great-great-grandchildren, Jada Christine Scott, Christian Scott, Jersey Scott and Dominick Parker, all of Ohio.

There will be no services held at her request.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that you make a donation in her memory to the Kalispell animal shelter.

The family also wants to thank everyone at Whitefish Care and Rehab and North Valley Hospital for the

wonderful care given to our mother.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Robert 'Bob' DeMorest, 88

Robert "Bob" DeMorest, 88, passed away Saturday, Feb. 27, 2010, at the Montana Veterans Home in Columbia Falls.



Our father and grandfather was a man of few words ... but much love. He was gentle ... and simple. He loved his wife with a passion that was to be envied by many and had a love for all people and God's word.

"The heavens are rejoicing for a Saint coming home."

Bob will be joined with his wife, Ruth DeMorest, in burial at 10 a.m. Thursday, March 18, at Glacier Memorial Gardens.

Bob is survived by granddaughter, Robin Jean Lyon Cini; son, Gary R. Lyon; daughter, Sharron Duncan; and daughter, Lynn Owen.

To send condolences to the family, please go to www.buffalohillfh.com, where this obituary will run at no charge for the family ever. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Ileta 'JoAnne' Dempsey, 77

Ileta "JoAnne" Dempsey, 77, passed away on Saturday, Sept. 18, 2010, at St. Patrick Hospital in Missoula, of complications following surgery.

She was born Nov. 30, 1932, in Polson, to John and Ruth (Gadow) Decker. She attended Echo Lake School and graduated from Bigfork High School in 1950.

JoAnne married Lloyd Dempsey on Oct. 9, 1950, at the Creston Church. They resided in Renton, Wash., and Great Falls, and at the Summit before moving to Columbia Falls, where she worked at the B&B Grocery store. They moved to Kentucky and then back to Kalispell when Lloyd retired in 1983.

JoAnne was a wonderful cook and baker. Her homemade bread and pies were the best, and she delighted in giving away her homemade jellies and her special fudge.

She loved to pick huckleberries, go bowling and get wood. She enjoyed attending anything in which her granddaughters took part. She had the most colorful and prolific flower garden in her neighborhood, and amazed all with her spunk and her ability to

walk wherever she needed to go.

Special thanks to all who helped her do the things she wanted to do but was unable to do on her own.

JoAnne was preceded in death by her husband, Lloyd; son, Mike; her parents; two brothers and three sisters.

She is survived by her daughter, Ann Kerzman, and her husband, Neal, of Libby; her granddaughters, Megan Blake and husband, Keenan, of Lewistown, Emily Dempsey of Columbia Falls, and Sarah Dempsey of San Diego; brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Bill and Lorraine Dempsey, of Kalispell; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Graveside services for JoAnne will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 23, at Lonepine Cemetery in Bigfork, with Pastor Ron Pierce officiating.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for JoAnne's family. You are invited to go to www.jgfuneralhome.com to view JoAnne's guest book, offer condolences and share memories.

Mabel Mae Deon, 83

Mabel Mae Deon, 83, of Troy, died at her home Saturday, Oct. 23, 2010, after a long illness.

Survivors include her children, Patricia Yeadon of Troy, Connie Baskins of Marysville, Wash., Ronald Deon of Athol, Idaho, Marilynn Montemayor of Parker, Colo., and Candy

Clark of Troy.

Memorial services will be at 1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, at the Kingdom Hall. Graveside services will be at 3 p.m. at Milnor Lake Cemetery in Troy. Arrangements are by Schnackenberg & Nelson Funeral Home and Crematory in Libby.

Audrey E. Dodd, 49

Audrey E. Dodd, 49, of Libby, died Monday, Feb. 1, 2010, at her home in Libby, of stage IV inflammatory breast cancer.

Survivors include her husband, Robert Baumann, of Libby; son, Joe Dodd, of Libby; daughter, Angela

Dodd, of Libby; and parents, Richard and Judith Fischer, of Washington.

Private family services will be held. Local arrangements are by Schnackenberg and Nelson Funeral Home of Libby.

Gordon Doggett

A memorial service for Gordon Doggett, 64, a seasonal resident of Essex, will be held at 2 p.m. on Sunday, July 11, at Columbia Falls Methodist Church. Mr. Doggett passed away on Jan. 6 in Texas.

Mr. Doggett was a retired school teacher and administrator who first came to the area in the '60s as a "Jammer" in Glacier National Park, following in his father's footsteps who worked as a "Jammer" in the 1930s. His wife of 40 years, Sabra, also worked in Glacier and they have lived near Essex part time for the last

20 years.

Doggett was active in the Columbia Falls Methodist Church and worked seasonally at the Montana House in Apgar.

Gordon had a passion for learning and collecting items and new information about his interests, especially Glacier Park. He was always happiest when sharing his love of the "shining mountains" and touring friends and acquaintances around Glacier.

Gordon was preceded in death by his son, Matthew.

He is survived by his wife, Sabra, and son, Jeff.

Patricia Rose Dolven, 69

Patricia Rose Dolven, at 69 years of age, died near the Montana border in Idaho, violently but quickly, on Jan. 5, 2010, as the result of a collision between the car she was driving and a semi-truck.



She was born Patricia Rose Williams to Darrel and Doris Williams on May 12, 1940, in Eureka. Pat grew up in Whitefish, and then moved to Harlem when she was in middle school.

She attended Montana State University in Missoula for two years before transferring to the University of Montana in Bozeman, where she was graduated in 1962 with a bachelor's degree in home economics.

Pat married Fred Dolven, her high-school sweetheart, in 1961. She taught for two years in Bozeman while Fred completed his degree in architecture.

Pat and Fred lived briefly in Reno, Nev., in 1964, before joining and serving in the Peace Corps from 1966 to 1968. Upon returning from India, they lived in Billings, where their son, Davin, was born in 1969. The young family moved again to Reno in 1971 where they settled. Their daughter, Danica, was born in 1972.

Pat raised her kids in the Huffaker Hills neighborhood of Reno, volunteered at her children's schools, and was intimately involved in Cub Scouts, Brownies, Children's

Theater, and countless other activities.

The Dolvens were members of St. John's Presbyterian Church in Reno for many years before Fred and Pat became instrumental in planting a new church in Sparks, Nev.

Pat was a gourmet cook, a rapacious reader, and an exquisitely talented mother and grandmother. She served as the backbone of a diverse and far-reaching community that spans the globe. She had an uncanny ability to empathize with everyone she met and deeply touched many, many souls throughout her life. Somehow Pat would always say exactly the right thing at any particular moment. Her relationship with her family, while always incredibly strong, was never better than it was this past year. She will live forever in our hearts.

Patricia is survived by her husband, Fred Dolven; her twin brother, Richard Williams; her son, Davin Dolven; her daughter, Danica, and son-in-law, Marc Gittelman; her two grandsons, Jacob and Elijah Gittelman; and an extensive network of extended family and friends.

A funeral service will be held at 1:30 p.m. on Jan. 23, at Spanish Springs Presbyterian Church in Sparks. A ceremony is being planned for June near her childhood home and parents' resting places in Kalispell, to inter her remains.

In lieu of flowers, please make memorial donations to the charities of your choice.

Gladys I. Domgard, 92

Gladys I. Domgard, 92, passed away on Wednesday, Feb. 17, 2010, at Heritage Place in Kalispell, "to be with her Lord." Gladys was born July 7, 1917, to Elmer and Eleanor Johnson in Giltner, Neb. She was the first of six children. Gladys was raised on the family farm and educated in Loop City, Neb.

On Oct. 22, 1939, she married Lewis Henry Domgard. She and Hank lived in various places before moving to Kalispell in 1951. She worked at Woolworths for many years, and at the B&B Pharmacy and Drug Lair Pharmacy until her retirement.

Gladys was a longtime member of Epworth Methodist Church and Birthday Club.

Gladys was preceded in death by her husband, Hank Domgard; parents; and three brothers, Gerald, Oscar and Clarence "Buzz."

Gladys is survived by her three sons, Robert and wife, Marlene, of Whitehall, Charles and wife, Barbara, of Kalispell, and Douglas and wife, Theresa, of Houston; a brother, Jack Johnson, and

wife, Joan, of Columbus, Neb.; a sister, Leona Neill, of Middleton, Idaho; four granddaughters, Julie Armentrout and husband, Curtis, of Odessa, Texas, Bonnie Arrola and family of Falfurrias, Texas, Melissa Wilson and husband, John, of Thompson Falls, and their daughters, Haley and Riley, and Kathy Bushnell and husband, Paul, of Helena, and their two sons, Chaz and Connor; and a sister-in-law, Pat Domgard, and families of Norman, Okla.

The family would like to give special thanks to the caregivers and residents of Heritage Place for their care and kindness.

Funeral services for Gladys will be held at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 23, at the Epworth United Methodist Church. Interment will follow at the C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery, with a reception following back at the church.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home is caring for Gladys' family. You are invited to go to www.jgfuneralhome.com to offer condolences and view Gladys' tribute wall.

Gerald 'Jerry' Thomas Donaldson, 69

Gerald "Jerry" Thomas Donaldson, 69, died June 10, 2010, after a brief illness.

He had been a journeyman electrician.

Survivors include his ex-wife, Mardell Donaldson, of Libby; and son, Jason Donaldson, of Washington.

Services will be at 9

a.m. Monday, June 21, at the Schnackenberg & Nelson Funeral Home Chapel in Libby. Visitation will be from 1 to 8 p.m. Sunday, June 20, at Schnackenberg & Nelson Funeral Home. Burial will be at the Washington State Veterans Cemetery in Medical Lake, Wash.

Evelyn Geraldine 'Jackie' Donovan, 88

Evelyn Geraldine "Jackie" Donovan, 88, was "promoted to glory" on Sept. 17, 2010, at Dumas Memorial Hospital in Dumas, Texas.



She was born on Feb. 19, 1922, in Kalispell, to Frank and Margaret (Eckelberry) Logan, the youngest of three children. She spent all her life in the Kalispell area. Jackie graduated from Flathead County High School with the Class of 1940.

It was June 29, 1944, in Kalispell, that she married James Donovan. She spent most of her time helping others, including volunteer work at Brendan House. She really enjoyed cooking and making family and friends feel at home. She touched so many people in so many different ways. She was an inspiration to us all.

She devoted herself to studying God's word and applying it to her life. She was a Baptist by faith and an active member of Bethel Baptist Church.

Jackie was preceded in death by her husband, Jim; her parents; a brother, Darrell Logan; and a sister, Thelma McCarty.

She is survived by a son, Richard, his wife, Victoria, and five grandchildren, Michael, Timothy, Kelly, Lisa and Ryan; three step-grandchildren, Nathan, Adam and William; 12 great-grandchildren; four step-great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; and friends of all who knew her.

Funeral services for Jackie will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 25, in the Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home Chapel in Kalispell, with Pastor David Pestel of Bethel Baptist Church officiating. Burial will follow at Glacier Memorial Gardens. Visitation will be from 4 to 6 p.m. Friday, Sept. 24, at the funeral home.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for Jackie's family. You are invited to go to www.jgfuneralhome.com to view Jackie's tribute wall to offer condolences and share memories.

Richard J. Downen, 46

Richard Downen, 46, of Columbia Falls, died at his home on Sunday, Aug. 29, 2010.



He was born Nov. 21, 1963, in Whitefish, the son of Richard and Dorothy Downen of Columbia Falls.

He grew up in Columbia Falls and attended Columbia Falls schools. After attending Trapper Creek Job Corps he returned to Columbia Falls and worked at the Plum Creek fiberboard-plant for over 25 years. At the time of his death he was an assistant apartment manager for his cousin, Dennis Howard, at an apartment complex in Columbia Falls.

He had many interests and hobbies, including family genealogy and raising his organic vegetable garden.

He is survived by his

daughters, Anna, Sarah and Emily Downen, and his parents, Richard Downen and Dorothy Downen, all of Columbia Falls; his sisters, Rebecca Grady of Seattle, and Debra Dotson and her husband, Mike, and children, Adrienne, Allyssa and Jerad of Spokane; his uncles, Stan Downen of Columbia Falls, and Joe and Jan DeFlyer of Bishop, Calif.; his aunts, Clarice Harrison of Whitefish, and Arlene Rowe of Kalispell. He is also survived by many cousins and friends, including his friends since his grade school days, Chuck and Tom Oxley.

Rich was preceded in death by his grandparents, George and Alice DeFlyer, and Archie and Persis Downen; as well as his cousin, Tracy Downen.

Cremation has taken place and a memorial service is planned for 11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 25, at Fellowship Alliance Church in Columbia Falls.

Doris Doyle, 82

Doris Doyle, 82, of Fargo, N.D., formerly of Kalispell, died Sunday, Feb. 28, 2010, in her home surrounded by family.

She is survived by her husband, Bill; and children, Janet Ramstad and Mark Doyle, Fargo.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, March 4, at Hanson-Runsvold Funeral Home Chapel, Fargo. Visitation is one hour prior to the service at Hanson-Runsvold. Burial will take place at Riverside Cemetery in Fargo.

Albert L. 'Lee' Draeger, 80

Albert L. "Lee" Draeger, 80, passed away Tuesday, Sept. 21, 2010, at Heritage Place in Kalispell, of natural causes.



Lee was born Dec. 11, 1929, in Sherwin, Kan. He attended schools in Sherwin and in Hallowell, Kan. He entered the U.S. Army in November 1951 and was honorably discharged in October 1953.

In 1955, he married Betty June Owen in Sherwin. They were married for 55 years before Lee passed. Lee worked as a farmer and later as a masonry contractor.

He enjoyed hunting, fishing, and gardening, as well as breeding French Brittany gun dogs.

Lee is survived by his wife, Betty J. Draeger, of

Kalispell; son, R.C. Draeger, of Kalispell; daughters, Becky Anderson and husband, Joe, of Condon, and Deb Doney and husband, Allen, of Bigfork; brother, Marvin Draeger, of Columbus, Kan.; grandchildren, Kristi Dorcheus and husband, Nathan, PFC Dale Doney, Christopher Anderson and Nicholas Anderson; and great-grandchildren, Javien, Jaylean and Kobe Dorcheus.

Visitation for Lee will be from 2 to 7 p.m. today, Sept. 23, at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 24, at the Little Brown Church in Bigfork. Burial will follow at Lonepine Cemetery. Friends are encouraged to visit the website at www.buffalohillfh.com to leave notes of condolences for the family. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Irene Marie Drake, 70

Irene Marie Drake, 70, passed away Friday, March 26, 2010, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center.

Irene was born Oct. 2, 1939, in Dunseith, N.D., to Gunvald and Ida Nelson. Soon after, the family moved to the Flathead Valley, where they remained.

Irene met Edwin Drake and they were married Nov. 7, 1955, at The Hitching Post in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. Ned and Irene lived in Somers, where they had two children. She loved to cook, and she professionally cooked for the Immanuel Lutheran Home and Kalispell Regional Medical Center, from which she retired.

At home, if four people were invited to dinner, she would make enough for 10. Irene loved her flower garden, sewing and hosting family gatherings. She was especially fond of camping and taking trips with her four

grandchildren.

Irene was preceded in death by her parents and a sister, Alice Wittlake.

She is survived by her husband of 54 years, Edwin Drake; children, Denise O'Lear and husband Mike of Missoula; Larry Drake and wife Fely of Pasco, Wash.; brothers Norman Nelson and wife Marilyn, and Bruce Nelson and wife Nita; sister Betty Somers; grandchildren Sarah, Sharri, Lisa and Mindy; and many nieces and nephews.

Family and friends are invited to bring photos, memories and a favorite dish or dessert to the South Kalispell Fire Department from noon to 3 p.m. today, March 29.

Please visit the Web site www.buffalohillfh.com, where there is a free site for the family, and friends can post condolences. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Harold 'Hal' Draper, 89

Harold "Hal" Draper passed away peacefully Sept. 8, 2010, in Kalispell.

He was born Aug. 18, 1921, in Red Lodge. Hal spent his early years traveling between Red Lodge and Kalispell, and graduated from Flathead County High in 1939. During high school he worked at his family's drugstore, Fitch Drugs, located on Main Street in Kalispell.

In 1941, Harold left Montana for New York City where he worked on radios and communications for the war effort. By 1944 he was in the Army in Europe as the war wound down. Harold returned to Montana to finish his bachelor's degree at Montana State University.

He started his teaching career in Roberts, Mont., moving to Fairbanks, Alaska, in 1952. In Fairbanks, he met Nadyne Fleming, and they were married in 1956. He and Nadyne both received their master's degrees in teaching from San Jose State the year after they were married.



They returned to Fairbanks where Harold taught math and woodworking at Fairbanks High School, until retiring in 1976.

Harold loved gardening, photography, traveling and, most of all, woodworking.

He and Nadyne traveled between their cabin which they homesteaded at Lake Minchumina, Alaska, to Fairbanks, and to his family home on Flathead Lake. They thoroughly enjoyed their travels to Europe and Australia. Harold would brag of the family's numerous trips over the Alaska Highway beginning in 1952.

Harold was preceded in death by his wife, Nadyne; brother, Richard; and sister, Gayle.

He is survived, and will be missed by his sister, Virginia Fleming; son, Charles Draper; daughter and son-in-law, Tobi and Patrick Campanella; granddaughter, Cori; great-granddaughter, Chloe; grandson, Christopher; and his nieces and nephews.

Harold's family would like to acknowledge and thank his friends and care givers at Buffalo Hill Terrace and the Immanuel Lutheran Home in Kalispell.

Arthur 'Art' Vincent Dresen, 77

Arthur "Art" Vincent Dresen, 77, passed away Thursday, Nov. 11, 2010, at home in the arms of his wife of 53 years, after battling several long illnesses.



Art was born Sept. 30, 1933, in Kalispell to Pete Vincent and Helen Meta Dresen. He attended Hedges Elementary School (where his grandchildren later attended) for several years. The family then moved to the ranch his father bought along the Canadian border, where his dad raised registered Herefords and his mother home-schooled him until he was a freshman in high school.

At that time they moved to Cut Bank, where he graduated from Cut Bank High School in 1951. After graduation and the death of his father, he attended Montana State University for two years.

After leaving college, he returned to Cut Bank, where he met and married Edra Bingham in 1957. They took

over the ranch and raised three daughters, Darlene Dresen of Kalispell, Danelle Kingston of Columbia Falls and Deanna Dresen-Hale and husband John Hale of Kalispell.

He was preceded in death by his parents, and sister Ada Spain.

He is survived by his wife; three daughters; and eight grandchildren, Trevor Stewart of Las Vegas, Jayme Stewart of Sacramento, Calif., Jarid Stewart of Colorado Springs, Colo., Jaylene Stewart of Las Vegas, Hanna Kingston of Denver, Joshua Kingston of Portland, Nathaniel Dresen-Hale of Kalispell, and Tanna Hale of Savannah; and five great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 27, at the Columbia Mortuary at 1010 Fourth Ave. W., Columbia Falls. Burial will follow at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

Columbia Mortuary will be caring for the family.

Memorials may be sent to Caring Voice Coalition Inc., 8249 Meadowbridge Road, Mechanicsville, VA 23116; or Teens n Crisis, P.O. Box 213, Kalispell, MT 59903.

Therese Anna Marie Drent, 84

Therese Anna Marie Drent, 84, passed away on Monday, April 5, 2010, at her home in Kalispell.



She was born on April 16, 1925, in Zevenbergen, Holland, to Jacobus and Adriana (deRond) VanAken.

Therese married Pieter Drent on April 9, 1949, and immigrated to America, arriving on the Queen Elizabeth cruise liner. From New York, they moved to Whitefish, and worked at the "VanAken Gardens." Therese devoted her time to raising five children.

In 1963, they purchased the Holland Nursery in Evergreen, and in 1968, purchased and operated Flowers By Hansen. Therese ran the flower shop for 22 years before retiring. During that time she was proud to have served as the president of the Montana Florist Association.

Therese enjoyed gardening, reading and many different needle crafts. She was also a longtime member of St. Matthew's Catholic Church.

Therese was preceded in death by her husband.

She is survived by her four daughters, Jane Patterson and husband, Bruce, of Polson, Marilyn Brady and husband, Dick, of Kalispell, Wilma Drent of New Orleans, and Renee Funk and husband, Robin, of Kalispell; one son, Steven Drent, of Kalispell; 14 grandchildren; and 19 great-grandchildren.

Graveside services for Therese will be held at 10 a.m. on Saturday, April 10, at Glacier Memorial Gardens, with Father Vic Langhans of St. Matthew's Catholic Church officiating.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home is caring for Therese's family. Friends and family are invited to go to www.jgfuneralhome.com to view Therese's tribute wall and offer condolences.

Patrick Michael Duffy, 57

Patrick Michael Duffy, 57, "entered a place of peace" on Dec. 27, 2010.



Patrick was born March 5, 1953, in Kalispell. He spent most of his childhood years in Kalispell and Bigfork, graduating from Bigfork High School in 1974. He entered the Navy and served two tours on the U.S.S. Ranger.

After many adventures he met the love of his life, Robyn, and they wed on Nov. 11, 1989, where he embraced an instant family. Loving the Flathead, Patrick moved his family back to his roots in Kalispell.

Patrick was a faithful employee at KRMC in the nutrition department for the last of his culinary career. He filled the kitchen with his voice, sharing his love of music.

Patrick enjoyed scenic

drives with his wife. He was an avid Cowboys fan, passing down his love of football to his son and grandsons. The light of his life was his six grandchildren whom he adored. A true family man.

He is survived by his loving wife, Robyn; his mother, Donna Wiemann; daughter, Mindy Hartigan, and her children, Makayla and Kyler; son and daughter-in-law, Robert and Kylene Hartigan, and their children, Kaleigh and Alexis; daughter and son-in-law, Ashley and Nahum Tkachyk, and their children, Kendall and Blake; brothers, Mitch Duffy, Sam and John Darling; Chayne Caswell, who he considered a son; and many others that called him "Pops."

"Life isn't fair. As Pat would say, 'It's not a fair, it's a circus.'"

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 2, at Stillwater Lutheran Church.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Phyllis Hill Dumon, 90, passed away at the Marias Care Center in Shelby on Friday, March 12, 2010, from natural causes.



A memorial service will be held at the Whitted Funeral Chapel at 1 p.m. on Tuesday, March 16, with a reception to follow at the Marias Heritage Center from 2 to 4 p.m. A family celebration of her life will be held later in the summer at the Dumon cabin in Coram. The family suggests memorials to the newly established Prairie Oasis Animal Shelter in Shelby. Donations should be directed to Denise McCormick or David Dumon.

Phyllis was born on August 10, 1919, in Rudyard, to Harry and Esther (Robertson) Hill. As a child, she moved to Detroit, Mich., attended schools there, and met and married Joseph Dumon on June 29, 1940. After World War II, they moved to Kevin, living there for 27 years. Phyllis worked in the Toole County Treasurer's Office for 13 years, and was elected Toole County Assessor in 1966, serving two terms in office. Phyllis was also a lifetime member of the Ladies Auxiliary V.F.W.

Phyllis and Doris Rambo were instrumental in bringing Weight Watchers to Montana and western North Dakota, traveling extensively and lecturing to classes in the two states. Phyllis realized her "life dream" of helping others.

After retiring, she and Joe spent the winters in Arizona, and summers at their cabin in Coram. She moved to Shelby after Joe died in 1998. Phyllis lived at the Marias Heritage Center for the last three years. Her latest job was a volunteer folding the newsletter for the City of Shelby, and she may have stayed up half the night to accomplish her goal.

Phyllis loved so many things: she played golf, was an avid bowler, loved to entertain, and was fond of animals, especially dogs. She taught so many how to play pinochle, and would play any kind of card game for hours. Phyllis loved to laugh, and had the motto "mind over matter", and the mindset that anyone could accomplish anything.

Phyllis is survived by her daughter, Denise and Larry McCormick of Shelby; and son, David and Kim Dumon of Somers. Grandchildren surviving are Jeff and Janelle Platt of Wilsonville, Ore., Leann and Mario Birsa of Anthem, Ariz., Dena and Mike Akers of Fayetteville, N.C., and Tori and Derek Price of Kalispell. She is also survived by great-grandchildren Johnny, Jadyn, and Julie Platt, McKenzie Wisdom, Joseph Birsa, Byron Akers and baby Akers due in August, Audrey and Piper Price, as well as many nieces and nephews.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Joe, in 1998; great-granddaughter, Taylor Wisdom, in 2009, and niece, Connie Hill Merlo, in 2010.

Condolences for the family may be sent to www.whittedfuneralchapel.com.

Sharrie Shelton Duncan, 48

Sharrie Shelton Duncan, 48, died May 16, 2010, in Positano, Italy. She was born July 13, 1961, to Charles and Margie Shelton in Butte.



She is survived by her husband, Gil Duncan; son, Shane Duncan; stepson, Aaron Duncan; mother, Margie Milaney, and her husband, Terrence Milaney; father, Charles Shelton, and his wife, Patty Shelton; brother, Randy Shelton, and his wife, Kaydel Shelton; sister, Shayne Hendrix; and her husband, Mark Hendrix; sister, Staci Martin, and her husband, Kenny Martin; nephews, Sam Shelton, Cade Estes and Mark Estes; and niece, Tessa Shelton; and many others considered her family who lived in her local neighborhoods, Seattle, and places as far away as England, Germany and Italy.

Sharrie lost her life on May 16 due to drowning in Positano, Italy, as she was attempting to get her 12-year-old son Shane back to safety. She grew up in Kalispell where she attended Cornelius Hedges Elementary School, Linderman Junior High and Kalispell Junior High, until graduating from Flathead High School in 1979.

She was awarded a track scholarship to attend Montana State University where she graduated in 1984. Sharrie was a tremendous track athlete from the first time she stepped on to a track. Although, due to her complete and utter modesty, you would never have known her long jumping ability was legendary, setting a Montana state record, a Meet of Champion record, and still holding the AA divisional long jump record set over 30 years ago.

She truly loved her childhood years swimming and diving at Woodland Park

pool, running track, riding horses and being a part of her family she so passionately cherished.

While a sophomore in high school she began dating Mike Nichols who became her husband in 1987. They lived in Seattle where she worked for The Boeing Company for about 10 years; it was shortly thereafter her marriage to Mike ended.

Sharrie started her European excursion when she relocated to England where she married Gil Duncan on July 15, 1997. It was in England where their son Shane, the "sunshine of her life," was born. The majority of the years between 1997 and 2010 were spent traveling throughout Europe where she became quite a well-known personality of all cities where she lived. Her examples of love and kindness were often shared with life's less fortunate throughout her travels, and in doing so, she never sought credit for any kind deed, of which she did many.

While Sharrie was well known and loved for her passion for life, her love for her family and her competitive spirit which carried forward in all aspects of her life, it was her love for her son Shane that was her greatest and most admired quality.

Cremation has taken place and a memorial service will be held to honor her life at 11 a.m. Monday June 7, at Easthaven Baptist Church. Sharrie's family will place her ashes near those of her beloved grandmother, Helen Simonich, at Glacier Memorial Gardens in a private family gathering immediately following the service. Everyone is invited to share their memories and love at a reception being held at the Siderius Farm immediately following the service.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations be made to the Flathead Food Bank, 1203 U.S. Highway 2 W., No. 2, Kalispell, MT 59901.

Shayla Marie Dunlap, 22

Shayla Marie Dunlap, 22, passed away Sunday morning, July 25, 2010, near Kalispell, as the result of a vehicle accident. She was born on July 16, 1988, in Kalispell, to John Jay and Vicki Lynn (Leivo) Dunlap.



Shayla began her early education in Columbia Falls and continued on to Columbia Falls High School. It was early in her sophomore year that Shayla was diagnosed with leukemia and spent the next six months in Seattle receiving treatment.

Returning to school, she enjoyed playing basketball and volleyball, and became a cheerleader. Her favorite sport to cheer was wrestling, where her boyfriend David Ampudia was. Shayla had very diverse interests and tastes. She loved interesting foods like parmesan noodles with corn and oatmeal, and was very much a young lady and loved getting her hair and nails done. She was very athletic, enjoying her workouts and the outdoors.

In September of 2008, Shayla relapsed with leukemia, and her sister, Shelby, once again came to her rescue. In 2003, it was with a bone marrow transplant, and in 2008, a blood transfusion.

Shayla and David spent a very full day on Saturday, the 24th, enjoying a base-

ball game, then rafting and spending time at Heritage Days in Columbia Falls. Shayla had been introduced to Amway Global, which had changed her life. Her outlook and goals for her future had more direction. Her spirituality and sense of well-being were strengthened through her associations. She also very much enjoyed supporting Relay for Life this year, and even won the cupcake decorating contest.

Shayla was preceded in death by her father, in 1996; and her grandfather, Jack Dunlap.

She is survived by her mother, Vicki Dunlap; a sister, Shelby Dunlap; a brother, Hunter Koleszar; maternal grandparents, Leland and Jane Leivo, paternal grandmother, Karen Ricks Dunlap; aunts, Lisa, Christy, Kim and Kathy; an uncle, Mike; as well as many cousins and a special second cousin.

A joint celebration of life will be held for David and Shayla at 11 a.m. Friday, July 30, at New Covenant Church on Birch Grove Road. Burial will follow at the Woodlawn Cemetery in Columbia Falls. A potluck reception will be held immediately following at the Babe Ruth baseball fields on Talbot Road.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for Shayla's family. You are invited to go to www.jgfuneralhome.com to view Shayla's tribute wall and offer condolences.

Frank Antonio Durado, 69

Frank Antonio Durado, 69, of Grandview, Wash., and formerly of Kalispell, passed away Saturday, June 19, 2010, at his home surrounded by his loving family.



He was born Jan. 1, 1941, to Rocco T. and Frances (Grecco) Durado in Missoula. He was the youngest of five boys, Jim, John, Larry, Bob and Frank. At a young age, his work ethic and infectious smile created many tips while working as a shoeshine boy.

A love of music grew as he mastered the drums and started his dance band, The Stardusters, playing for school dances and night-clubs. Frank also enjoyed sports in high school, playing on championship teams in football and basketball, and lettering in track. College brought a new band, The Playboys, with bookings most weekends, which allowed him to work his way to a Bachelor of Arts in music and physical education.

While attending Montana State College, he met and married the love of his life, Susan "Sue" Kent. Together they created a beautiful family, one son, Tony Durado and his fiancé, Wendy Hughes, and one daughter, Tammy Parrish and husband, Scott; and grandchildren, Courtney Durado, Payton Parrish, Teagan Parrish, Treyton Rocco Parrish, Amber Foster and

Nicole Foster.

Mr. D. began teaching music, through which he encouraged others to aspire to their highest potential. He won many awards and took his bands of 70 to 80 members rocking down the street to the latest new beat.

After losing partial hearing, he changed directions to marketing and DECA. This began another legacy of molding and mentoring young people to be the best they could be in the business world.

Working at Snokist Cherry Warehouse as a test grader sparked a new interest in farming. He and Sue have farmed their cherry orchard for the past 25 years.

After 31 years of teaching, he retired to enjoy farming, spending time in the shop with friends, hunting, fishing, creating leaded glass projects, golfing, cooking, laughing and attending the 10-4 Coffee Club meetings. Above all he loved his God and family.

"You are greatly loved and missed, 'Cadillac Man.'"

A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. Wednesday, June 23, at the Grandview Church of the Nazarene.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Grandview Community Dollars for Scholars at the Chase Bank in Grandview for a DECA Memorial Scholarship Fund in memory of Frank Durado.

Those wishing to share their memories or sign Frank's online memorial book may do so at www.funeralhomesmith.com.

Eleanore Martha Dusek, 79

Eleanore M. (Delzer) Dusek, 79, of Whitefish, died Tuesday at Whitefish Care & Rehabilitation.

Survivors include her children, Darrell Dusek, Charlotte Henne, Dianna

Neugebauer, Beverly Dusek and Penny Black.

Graveside services will be Monday, April 26, at Glacier Memorial Gardens. Austin Funeral Home is assisting the family.