

Freda 'Jean' Labar, 82

Freda "Jean" Labar, 82, died May 30, 2012, at Mountain View Manor in Eureka.

Private family services

will be held.

Arrangements are by Schnackenberg & Nelson Funeral Home in Eureka.

Virginia Margaret Hawes LaBrant, 96

Virginia Margaret Hawes LaBrant, 96, "was called home to be with the Lord" Sunday, Oct. 10, 2010, in Prescott, Ariz.



She was born Jan. 7, 1914, in Blackduck, Minn., to Emmet and Archabell (Bartlett) Hawes. She moved with her parents to Stanley, N.D., as an infant and was the oldest of 13 children. Being the oldest of 13 children, her childhood was replaced with many adult responsibilities. Her character, positive attitude and strong work ethics supported her throughout her life. Instilling these qualities in her children made her proud of their accomplishments and those of her grand- and great-grandchildren.

In 1938, as an area coal mine cook, she met the love of her life, Arthur "Duane" LaBrant. They were married Jan. 6, 1940, and soon began farming in the area. In pursuit of better farm land, they moved in 1947 with their five children, farm equipment and livestock to Flathead County. They settled in the Creston area and lived there until after her husband died. The road to Echo Lake bears the family name.

The family worked together to help with the crops, gardening and caring for livestock. They became active members of the Creston East Side Grange, and were involved in all the activities of 4-H and FFA. She was a longtime member of the Creston Homemakers Club. Virginia thrived in her chosen role as wife, homemaker and mother.

She loved to cook for any occasion. Food was plentiful on their farm and she loved to share produce and homemade foods with the neighbors. Her love of cooking continued at the Echo Lake Café in Bigfork for nearly 20 years. She was famous for her homemade pies, pastries and breads. Upon retirement, she volunteered at the Kalispell Food Bank for eight years.

San Marcos, Texas, Eric and Danika LaBrant of Houston, Paul LaBrant of Lubbock, Texas, Darron and Erika Baker of Chino Valley, Ariz., and Lynette Baker of Prescott. She is also survived by her great-grandchildren, Sara Borer, Aiden Borer, Marisa Borer, Dorien Baker, Abigail Baker, Anna Benediktson, Jacob LaBrant and Kyle LaBrant; as well as, her sisters, Isabelle Amundson Dougherty of Kalispell, and Vivian O'Brien of Portage, Ind.; and many nieces and nephews.

Graveside services for Virginia will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 23, at Glacier Memorial Gardens in Kalispell.

The family suggests a donation in Virginia's honor to the Center for Missing and Exploited Children, www.missingkids.com/safe; or to the charity of your choice.

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

She moved to Somers in 1972 and continued to live there until 2006, at which time, she moved to Prescott to be near her daughter, Ardis, and family. She attended Bethany Lutheran Church in Bigfork, and became a member of American Lutheran Church upon moving to Prescott.

Virginia was blessed with a long and healthy life. She will always be remembered for her family meals, popcorn balls, candy stashes and her vegetable and flower gardens which she maintained until she was 91. She never considered herself to be old, even at 96, and was proud she didn't get gray hair. Virginia was a very productive and generous person. She started each day at 6 a.m. with a positive attitude and ended it at sunset with a sense of accomplishment and pride. She will be deeply missed by her family and friends who loved her dearly.

She was preceded in death by a son, Harlan, in 1968; husband, Duane, in 1971; her parents and 10 of her siblings.

She is survived by her children, Ardis and Don Baker of Prescott, Floyd and Toni LaBrant of Corvallis, Larry and Nancy LaBrant of Burnet, Texas, and Lois and Dale Lauman of Lakeside. She is also survived by her grandchildren, Karen and John Benediktson of Bozeman, Jeanne and Jeff Borer of Everett, Wash., Mark LaBrant of

Hazel Odessa Hanson Lacock, 92

Hazel Odessa Hanson Lacock, 92, died Thursday, July 19, 2012, in Kalispell.

She is survived by her children, Gwayne Kramer, Ullainee Hartman, Dale Hanson and Marlene

Hanson.

Services will be held in Saco at a later date.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for the family.

William Ladvala, 56

William "Wild Bill" Ladvala, 56, a longtime Flathead resident, passed away April 7, 2012, at his home in Whitefish. His high school sweetheart and beloved dog were at his side.



ate about baseball, college sports, spending his time outdoors and enjoying the company of his friends and family. He was a great friend whom you could count on to lend a hand. Rivalled only by his love of travel and family, Bill's friends meant the world to him. He had a fun-loving spirit, great sense of humor and always sought adventure.

Bill was preceded in death by his father, George Ladvala; and son, Corey Ladvala.

He is survived by his wife, Cindy; daughter, Kristye Coomer, her husband, Michael, and their daughter, Mikayla, of Haslet, Texas; mother, Barbara Ladvala, of Roberts; and many more family and friends who love him. As a husband, dad, brother, son and friend, Bill will be greatly missed.

Services will be held at 1 p.m. on Thursday, April 12, at Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish. There will be a celebration of his life at the VFW in Whitefish following the service.

In lieu of remembrances, the family is asking for donations to the National Brain Tumor Society or the Glacier Twins baseball organization.

You are invited to go to www.austinfh.com to offer condolences, share memories and view William's tribute wall.

Bill was the only child born to George and Barbara Ladvala in Red Lodge, where he grew up. It was there he met Cindy and was devoted to her for over 37 years. A student of history and well-studied politico, Bill earned advanced degrees from the school of hard knocks and speaking your mind. He was a proponent of the road less traveled and understood the value of a little civil disobedience.

A trustworthy and dedicated man, his career choice was a demonstration of his unparalleled loyalty to others. With over 34 years working for Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad as an engineer, Bill looked forward to a retirement full of friends, family and traveling. He dreamed of returning to Hawaii as often as possible.

A rock 'n' roll and blues man, Bill loved fast cars, home brewing beer, golfing and skiing. He was passion-

Joyce Harris Lake, 92

Joyce Harris Lake, 92, died in Kalispell on Wednesday, Jan. 9, 2013.

She is survived by her sons, Shawn and David,

both of Kalispell.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home and Crematory of Kalispell is caring for the family.

Laurel Elaine Lam, 72

Laurel Elaine Lam, 72, died on July 31, 2012, in Casa Grande, Ariz.

Elaine was born May 28, 1940, in Ronan, to Earle and Gertrude Hollingsworth. In 1948 the family moved to the new town of Martin City. Elaine graduated from Columbia Falls High School in 1958 and attended college in Billings and Missoula.

She graduated with a degree in education and began teaching with the Department of Defense schools, first in Okinawa, Japan, then Baumholder, Germany.

Elaine returned to school to become an interior designer and worked for several years in Geor-

gia, Hawaii and California.

After retiring Elaine moved to Casa Grande and spent the next several years traveling. She visited China, Egypt and Greece with friends and spent summers in Montana with family.

Survivors include a daughter, Kavis Rempel of Fort Irwin, Calif.; three grandchildren; and brother-in-law, Richard Grilley.

She was preceded in death by her parents; and sister, Janet Grilley.

J. Warren Funeral Services, Cole and Mand Gardens Chapel were in charge of arrangements.

A memorial service will be held at a later date.

Bruce Edward Lamkins, 60

Bruce Edward Lamkins, 60, of Boise, Idaho, "left this earth" Monday, Dec. 17, 2012.

Bruce was born Oct. 23, 1952, in Iola, Wis., the youngest child born to Roland and Barbara (Jonak) Lamkins. As a child, he attended many schools, graduating from high school in Lodi, Calif., and then earning a bachelor's degree in education from Western Montana College.

Following college, Bruce moved back to Libby, where he was employed by the Libby School District as a physical education instructor. After a short time, he changed career paths to join the logging industry. Taking advantage of an opportunity to travel the country, Bruce chose to work as a sawyer, helicopter logging. He cut timber from California to New York, often sending mementos of his travels to family and friends.

Bruce married Janie Adkins in 1986. Their



eight-year marriage produced one daughter. In the spring of 2003, Bruce suffered a paralyzing

spinal cord injury while working in Tennessee, ending his logging career. Anticipating a move back to the Flathead Valley, Bruce was looking forward to spending his days fishing from his pontoon boat and hunting Montana's mountains.

Family and friends will forever remember his kind heart, generous personality and optimistic attitude.

He is survived by his father, Roland Lamkins, of Washington; sisters, Michele Pompe of Washington, and Terry Lara of Illinois; daughter, Katie Lamkins, of Kalispell; and numerous nieces and nephews.

A private memorial will be held at a later date.

Helen M. Lamphere, 92

Helen M. Lamphere, 92, died Monday, Dec. 24, 2012, at the Lake View Care Center in Bigfork.

She is survived by her daughter, Karen Sikes.

No services are planned at this time.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for the family.

Ronald E. LaMott, 69

Ronald E. LaMott, 69, passed away Tuesday, Jan. 17, 2012, at the Whitefish Care and Rehabilitation Center in Whitefish.

He was born Nov. 30, 1942, in Miami and was raised a Coast Guard brat living in Florida, Michigan, Guam, Washington state and eventually back to Florida, where he graduated from Northeast High School in St. Petersburg.

After graduation, he joined the Air Force and spent two years in Japan as a non-Morse radio operator. After his time in Japan, he completed his tour in the Air Force at Malmstrom Air Force Base in Great Falls in 1964.

There he met and married Donna Hermansen, the love of his life, and had the first of his two beloved girls, Kimberly, in 1965. He went to work for Retail Credit Company as an insurance investigator and was transferred to Kalispell in June 1965. In June 1967, his second daughter, Lisa, was born.

Ron was very involved in Jaycees and his church.

The Flathead Valley was always home to Ron. He would spend hours and days exploring and appreciating the wilderness areas. Whether it was a long hike or just a short walk by the river, there was always something new and wondrous to be found. There isn't a back road, trail or logging road in Northwestern Montana that he didn't know and find a way to explore with his family.

Ron was a devoted father to his girls and never missed a school play, choir concert, parent-teacher conference or



birthday party. His purpose in life was to be the best "Daddy" in the world, and he accomplished his purpose beautifully.

Everyone was Ron's friend, and he would spend hours finding a way to help a friend in need, whether it was just a shoulder to lean on, financial assistance, shoveling a driveway or helping with a move. Whatever was needed, Ron was there to help.

In 1976, Ron went to work for Northwestern National Life Insurance where he won the National Rookie of the Year award and continued to be one of the top agents in the company throughout his career in insurance and investments. He was a member of the "Top Ring" for 10 years in a row, enabling Ron and Donna to travel the world together.

Even though they divorced in 1992 and Ron moved to Idaho, Ron and Donna remained dear friends and devoted grandparents to their four grandchildren, Meghan, Logan, Keaton and Kristopher.

Due to his advancing Parkinson's, in 2004 Ron moved back to his beloved Flathead Valley to be near his daughters. Ron spent his last years at Whitefish Care and Rehab, where he was loved by the staff for his sense of humor and tender heart.

Ron was preceded in death by his parents, Bud and Phyllis LaMott; his sister, Teddy LaMott; and his dearly loved in-laws, Mary and Gus Hermansen.

He is survived by and will be terribly missed by his daughters, Kimberly Hardwick and Lisa Dale; and grandchildren, Meghan and Logan Mansell and Keaton and Kristopher Hardwick, all residing in Kalispell.

Memorial services for Ron will be held at a later date.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for Ron's family.

Verna Louise Landon, 85

Verna Louise Landon, 85, died Sunday, Oct. 28, 2012, at Brendan House in Kalispell.

She is survived by six children, Gale Noteboom, Diane Loomis, Ginger Eastlund, John Landon, Doug Landon and Sheila Thompson.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Nov. 2, at the First Church of the Nazarene with the Rev. Ed Kotesky officiating. Burial will follow at Glacier Memorial Gardens. Visitation will be from noon to 2 p.m. Thursday at Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home.

Theresa (Hudon) Landwehr, 94

Our beloved mother, grandma and Great-Grandma T passed away very peacefully on Tuesday, Nov. 29, 2011, at home with her daughter and granddaughters at her side.

Theresa was born May 15, 1917, to parents Joseph and Josie Hudon, growing up primarily in Somers. She attended Flathead County High School, graduating in 1935.

After finishing her education at Dillon, Theresa taught elementary school at Charlo, Columbia Falls, and for several years at St. Matthew's School in Kalispell.

In September of 1945 came marriage to Vincent Landwehr and the birth of a daughter, Marilynn, in 1947. Both Theresa and Vincent were longtime members of St. Matthew's Parish. Volunteering and the pride in giving back was a very important part of her life and she did so for many years at St. Matthew's Parish and School after retiring from teaching. There were many enjoyable and fulfilling hours also spent with the RSVP in Kalispell.

July 2001 took Theresa and Vincent on a new chapter in their lives when they moved

to Bonney Lake, Wash., to be with their daughter. The love for Montana never fades and the beautiful Flathead was dearly missed by both. The presence of grandchildren and three great-grandchildren was a wonderful comfort to both Theresa and Vincent.

Theresa was preceded in death by her husband, Vincent, in 2008; parents, Joseph and Josie Hudon; cousin, Roberta "Bobbi" Hersman; and sister-in-law, Lee Landwehr.

She is survived by her daughter, Marilynn Magstadt, and Ron of Bonney Lake; and three grandchildren, Chris and Sarah Magstadt of Syracuse, Utah, Julie and Andrew Neil of Puyallup, Wash., and Jolene and Steve Zehnder of Bonney Lake; and three great-granddaughters, Sara, Brooke and Chloe Zehnder, of Bonney Lake. Also surviving are her sisters-in-law, Eleanor Hedstrom and Delores Lampman, both of Kalispell, and several nieces and nephews.

Theresa will be buried in her beloved Flathead Valley in the warm days of spring.

Curnow Funeral Home of Sumner, Wash., is caring for the family.

Joanne Margaret LaMarsh (Wagar), 61

Joanne Margaret LaMarsh (Wagar), 61, passed away on Saturday, June 16, 2012, at her residence in Marion.



She was born on Nov. 26, 1950, in Troy, N.Y., the daughter of Joseph Francis and Margaret Frances (Bowen) LaMarsh. She was raised in Troy and attended and graduated from Troy High School.

She owned and managed a country store at Bitterroot Lake for many years; and for the last 20 years worked as a bookkeeper for Wagar Logging in Marion.

Joanne loved cooking, fishing and traveling — she enjoyed a trip to Europe — and loved to be around her family and her dogs and wildlife.

She was preceded in

death by her father, Joseph LaMarsh.

She is survived by her mother, Margaret LaMarsh, of Troy; her longtime companion, Dennis Wagar, of Marion; her sister, Fran Schrag, of Fort Mill, S.C.; a brother, Rick LaMarsh, and wife, Brenda, of Avon, N.Y.; two nieces, Heather Librande and husband Cory of Littleton, Colo., and Stephanie Wood of Thornton, Colo.; and a nephew, Zachary LaMarsh.

A visitation will be held from noon to 5 p.m. on Wednesday, June 20, at Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home. Funeral services will be held in Troy, with burial in Oakwood Cemetery, Troy.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home is caring for Joanne's family. You are invited to go to www.jgfuneralhome.com to offer condolences and sign Joanne's guest book.

Evelyn Catherine Lehman, 94

Evelyn Catherine Lehman, 94, of Columbia Falls, died Monday, June 25, 2012.

She is survived by her two daughters, Nancy

Maser, of Strongsville, Ohio, and Cynthia Stoker of Columbia Falls.

Services are private. Arrangements are entrusted to Columbia Mortuary.

Virginia Lawetzki, 86

Virginia Lawetzki, 86, "has gone to sleep in Christ" June 17, 2012, at Immanuel Lutheran Home in Kalispell.



She was born in Los Angeles, but grew up in Des Moines, Iowa, and Lamoni, Iowa.

Virginia married James Keen of Lamoni. They moved to California in 1947 and raised four children.

She worked in a variety of jobs, in photography for McDonald Douglas Aircraft and was a certified nurses assistant for several years.

In 1983, Virginia married Bill Lawetzki. In 1990 she moved to Montana where she enjoyed being a foster grandparent.

Virginia is survived by her children, Becky Ray and husband Cliff of Norwalk, Calif., Alan Keen of Libby, Kathy Bustin of Libby and

partner Doug Jetmore, and Marsha Loughlin of Kalispell; grandchildren, Dave Keen, Kristy Mann and husband Jerry, Brian Gaines, Joy Keen Thompson and husband Sylvan, Jill Keen Vaughn and husband Brian, Amber Loughlin and Christina Loughlin; great-grandchildren, Holli Keen Virgil and husband Tom, Andrew and Nicole Mann, Alden Vaughn and Melody Loughlin; brother-in-law, Wesley McDaniel, of Arizona; niece, Andrea McDaniel; nephews, Charles Keen, Tom Keen, Robert Keen, William Keen, John Keen and David Keen; and great-nephew, Shane Campuzano.

She was preceded in death by her sisters, Eva Marie Gall and Dorothy Jean McDaniel; and her husband, Bill Lawetzki.

She had a full and busy life and will be greatly missed by those who loved her.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Robert M. Lange, 56

Robert M. Lange, 56, passed away Sunday, Jan. 8, 2012, as a result of a bus accident near Mis-soula.



Robert was born Oct. 27, 1955, to Harold and Lillie (Harrison) Lange. He graduated from Sutter High School in Sutter, Calif.

Robert enjoyed writing poetry, sketching, restoring classic automobiles, shooting pool and fishing with his best friend, David Corliss.

Robert's first job was as a forklift driver for Harter's Cannery in Yuba City, Calif. When Harter's closed, he worked as a security guard for several years. Robert then began his lifelong career as a truck driver, which he enjoyed and took him all over the United States.

Robert was a supportive, loving brother and one of the world's best uncles. He will be greatly missed.

Robert was preceded in death by his parents, Lillie and Harold Lange.

He is survived by his two sisters, Louise Swisher of Kalispell, and Mary Reno of Snellville, Ga.; and five nieces and nephews, Misty Bradshaw, Darryl Swisher and Philip Stephens, all of Kalispell, Raymond Reno of Sandy Springs, Ga., and Erin Sabine of Summerville, S.C.

There will be a celebration of Robert's life from 3 to 5 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 15, at Cattlemen's in Kalispell.

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

Lorraine B. Lankford, 86

Lorraine B. Lankford, 86, formerly of Oaklyn, N.J., died April 13, 2012, at her home in Bigfork.



The former Lorraine A. Balliet was born in Oaklyn on Oct. 26, 1925, the only child of the Arthur and Olga Balliet.

On March 2, 1946, at Saint Aloysius Catholic Church she married H. Frank Lankford Jr.; he preceded her in death on Dec. 24, 1982.

Lorraine worked at Bell Telephone before staying home to raise their only child, Carol Anne Lankford Germann. After that she was a credit manager for Straw-bridge & Clothier in Philadelphia. She retired from there in 1996 to enjoy her many interests and hobbies.

She was a talented needle worker and many of her beautiful needlepoints hang in both her home, as well as that of her daughter's and friends. She also enjoyed

taking care of her beautiful flowers.

Lorraine lived her entire life in the home her grandfather built in Oaklyn, until moving to Bigfork in 2006 to be with her daughter and family.

Lorraine is survived by her daughter, Carol Anne Germann, and son-in-law, William; two grandchildren, Gregory F. Germann, and Ginger L. Hathaway and Michael; and one great-grandchild, Breanna Marie Hathaway.

Mass of Christian burial will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday, May 15, at Blessed John Paul II Catholic Church in Bigfork. A reception lunch will follow the service at her daughter's home.

Memorials are requested in Lorraine's name to Scott Valley Soldiers Memorial Fund, P.O. Box 1596, Bigfork, MT 59911.

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

Kathryn I. Lange, 95

Kathryn I. Lange, 95, passed away Dec. 15, 2012, in Kalispell.



Kathryn was born Sept. 9, 1917, in Ackerman, Miss., the daughter of pioneer and early settler David H. Quinn and I. Dora Welch. Kathryn was baptized at 12 years of age at the First Baptist Church in Ackerman. She received her early education in Mississippi.

In 1934, after graduation, she worked for the U.S. Department of Agriculture in the Choctaw County agents' office for eight years. She taught Sunday School in Primary Department.

During the war in the 1940s, she moved to California to live with a sister. She worked in San Francisco at the Southern Pacific freight office as a billing typist. She met and married Lt. T.E. Lange, liaison pilot in the 5th Field Artillery, stationed in Italy. After the war when he returned home, they bought a new house in Menlo Park where their first son David was

born at the Palo Alto Hospital. She became a full-time homemaker and stay-at-home mom. She enjoyed her family and her son's ball games as he grew up. She also loved summer camping.

Kathryn was a resident of Buffalo Hills Terrace for the past 10 years.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Ted; half brothers, Tims, Frank, Harry, Everette and Robert Quinn and L. Dow Welch; half sisters, Rosa Mae, Evelyn Quinn, Nannie Lee "Nancy" Sides, Madie "Jack" Welch Brown Humburg, and Marj Cary.

She is survived by her son, David, and wife, Robin Lange; sister, Dody Murphree; three grandchildren, Hilary and Shane Hutcheson, Whitney and Walker Milhoan and Brady Lange; four great-grandchildren, Ella and Delaney Hutcheson, and Gunnison and Agusta Milhoan; and several nieces and nephews.

Kathryn was cremated at her request, and private family services have been held.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for the family.

Elaine L. Lant, 92

Elaine L. Lant "entered into eternal rest" Dec. 29, 2012, surrounded by her family.

She was born in Spencer County, Ind., on July 3, 1920, to Mason and Almarine Lemmons. Growing up on the farm during the Great Depression she learned what it meant to sacrifice for others and to be frugal with her money. She often spoke of being in high school and how her father would give her 50 cents a week for lunches. She would buy a bowl of soup for a nickel each day and saved the rest to help out when times got tough.

Elaine graduated from Booneville High School in 1938, and continued her education at Lockyears Business College. She was employed as an accountant at the Evansville Container Corporation.

On Feb. 24, 1946, she married Norman Edward Lant. In their 41 years of marriage they worked and traveled all over the country. They farmed in southern Indiana for a time and worked in the oil fields of West Texas where they raised their two sons, Mike and Jim, often moving every three to six months. As the oil boom declined they moved to northern New Mexico, working for the Bureau of Reclamation. It was here their third son, Jef, was born.

In 1968 the family



moved to Northwestern Montana to work for the Bureau of Reclamation at Hungry

Horse Dam in the Flathead Valley. While in Montana, they purchased their first permanent home and settled down. Elaine later moved to Spokane in 2004 to be closer to family. No matter where she lived she found things to learn and experience, and people to enjoy.

Elaine's biggest love was her family. She took great pride in all of them. She enjoyed sharing the latest happenings in each of their lives.

Elaine was preceded in death by her parents, Mason and Almarine Lemmons; husband, Norman Lant; brother, Bill Lemmons; and son, James E. Lant.

She is survived by sons, Michael M. Lant and Mary of Midland, Texas, and Jeffrey R. Lant and Eileen of Spokane; 10 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren.

A memorial service to celebrate Elaine's life is scheduled for 2 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 4, at the Riplinger Funeral Home Chapel in Spokane. Private viewing will be available noon to 8 p.m. today, and 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday.

Ronald Dean Lapp, 56

Ronald Dean Lapp, born Jan. 19, 1956, in Kalispell, to George and Kathryn Lapp, passed



away peacefully on Aug. 10, 2012.

He had bravely confronted and fought pancreatic cancer since April 2012.

He resided in Beaverton, Ore., where he is survived by his wife, Stella Lapp, and stepdaughter, Lynet Namawejje.

Ron graduated from Western Mennonite High School, Salem, Ore., in 1974, after which he attended Hesston College where he earned an associate's degree in respiratory therapy in 1977. Ron continued his education at Goshen College in Goshen, Ind., where he graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in nursing

in 1980.

As a young man, Ron enjoyed hunting and fishing with his father and helping on the family farm near Columbia Falls. Throughout his life he also enjoyed serving in short-term mission projects through Mennonite Board of Missions.

Ron was preceded in death by his father, George.

He is survived by two children, Daniel Lapp and Lynley of Hershey, Pa., and Marissa Akers and Kelly of Bakersfield, Ore.; two granddaughters, Bronte Victoria Lapp and Elenor Kathryn Akers; his mother, Kathryn Lapp, of Kalispell; five sisters, Lois Lutke of Polson, Bonnie Clemmer of Bechtelsville, Pa., Sharon Hooley of Kalispell, Beverly Eash of Middlebury, Ind., and Janice Bodenbender of Holland, Mich.; and one brother, Charles, of Columbia Falls.

Mary Mamie Herman LaRoque, 87

Mary Mamie Herman LaRoque, 87, passed away on June 6, 2012, of natural causes at Brendan House in Kalispell.



Mary was born on Sept. 9, 1924, to Phillip and Mary Herman in Williston, N.D. She attended school near Williston.

She married John LaRoque on Nov. 25, 1941, in Wolf Point where they farmed, later moving to several places, Sidney, Portland, and Columbia Falls, before settling in Missoula.

Mary worked for the 4-Bs, City Center, Executive Motor Inn, and retired from the University of Montana in 1989 after 17 years.

She also belonged to St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church, the VFW Ladies Auxiliary of Foreign Wars, and was a monitor at the Meadow Hills Middle School in Missoula.

Mary enjoyed fishing, camping, boating and gardening. She adored nothing more than spending time with her family, often with a cup of coffee around the table or sitting by a campfire with a slice of watermelon.

Mary was preceded in death by her husband, John; a daughter, Elaine Loftis; her uncle, John Herman; two brothers, Don and Arnold

Herman; her mother and father, Phillip and Mary Herman; and her stepmother, Anna Herman.

She is survived by two sons, Gordon and Gretchen LaRoque of Columbia Falls, and Ken and Jamie LaRoque of Spokane; daughter, Doris, and Don Lagrand, of Great Falls; seven grandchildren, Darrell and Derek LaRoque and family of Columbia Falls, Marvin Loftis and family of Kalispell, Shannon Click and family of Columbia Falls, Bonnie Nees, Cheryl Shirley and families of Billings, and Willie Garten and family of Great Falls; brothers, Robert (late wife Mary), Henry and Darlene, Charles and Kathy, and Harold and Arlis Herman, all of Columbia Falls; sisters, Rose and Bill Bruce, Vivian and John Gladeau of Columbia Falls, and Kathleen and Sonny Bowers of Whitefish; and 16 great-grandchildren.

Rosary will be said at 6 p.m. Monday, June 11, at Columbia Mortuary. There will be a Mass of Resurrection at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, June 12, at St. Richard's Catholic Church in Columbia Falls. Burial will take place at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, June 13, at Old St. Mary's Cemetery in Missoula.

Arrangements are entrusted to Columbia Mortuary. You are invited to go to www.columbiamortuary.com to offer condolences, share memories and view Mary's tribute wall.

Robert C. Larson, 81

Robert Larson died June 1, 2012, in his sleep at his home in Tacoma, Wash.



He was born on Feb. 26, 1931, in Breckenridge, Minn., to Harvey and Gladys Larson.

They moved to Charlo in 1935, then to Butte in 1941, Great Falls in 1944, and finally to Kalispell in 1946 where he graduated from high school in 1949.

Robert spent most of his summers as a child hiking, riding horses and helping out on their dairy farms, bottling milk and feeding the animals.

Robert served in the U.S. Army, mainly in Europe from 1949 to 1953, and was honorably discharged on Sept. 23, 1953.

As a young adult, Robert worked at a local bakery and lumber mills until moving to Tacoma in the '70s. Once in Wash-

ington, he worked as a maintenance manager for several different apartment complexes in the Lakewood area until he started his career at the Bremerton shipyards as a gate guard and then a rigger. He retired from the shipyards in the early '90s.

His interests included his three daughters and their children, reading, the horses, sports, animals and world events.

Robert is survived by his three daughters, Cynthia Freese, Tammi Wedertz and Dawn Ward; six grandchildren and one great-grandchild; sister, Blanche Studer, of Bonners Ferry, Idaho; and brother, Johnny Larson, of Missoula.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Harvey and Gladys Larson; brothers, Harvey Larson Jr., Byron Larson and Kermit Larson; and sister, Arlene Knott.

Robert was an extremely hard worker with high morals. He was educated, generous, motivating, caring and a loving father and friend.

Lonnie Dale Lawson, 77

Lonnie Dale Lawson, 77, passed away Jan. 6, 2013, at his home in Kalispell, due to cancer.

He was born June 23, 1935, in Whitefish. He attended schools in Whitefish and graduated in 1953.

Lonnie served in the National Guard in Seattle from 1958 to 1963.

He married Charmian (Rein) in 1956 in Seattle.

Lonnie worked for the Boeing Co. in Seattle from 1955 to 1964. He then worked for Columbia Falls Aluminum Co. from 1964 to 1985, then returned to Boeing in 1985 where he worked until retiring in 1993.

He enjoyed golf, bowling and RV traveling.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Gilbert and Bertha Lawson; and daughter, Valaine Riley.



Lonnie is survived by his wife of 56 years, Charmian F. Lawson, of Kalispell; his son, Darron B. Lawson, of Kalispell; brother, Wayne, and Arlene



Lawson, of Ephrata, Wash.; grandchildren, Justin Riley of Columbia Falls and Kyle Lawson of St. Petersburg, Fla.; great-grandchild, Dakota Riley; and sister-in-law, Cheryl Rein, of Vashon, Wash.

No services are planned. Cremation has taken place and Lonnie's ashes will be scattered in the spring. Memorials are suggested to a charity of your choice.

Maria Tome Lawver, 86

Maria Tome Lawver, 86, died Friday, Jan. 11, 2013, at the Lakeview Care Center in Bigfork.

She is survived by her two children, Joseph Lawver and Joyce Mitch-

ell. Memorial services are pending at this time.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for the family.

Darlene 'Dixie' Laurie, 66

Darlene "Dixie" Laurie, 66, died Tuesday, Aug. 14, 2012, at her home in Kalispell.

Private family services

will be held.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for the family.

Keith John Learn, 67

Keith John Learn, 67, passed away on Thursday, Nov. 29, 2012, at home surrounded by his family.

Keith was born on March 13, 1945, in Spokane, Wash., to John and Ellen Learn. He was raised and lived his life in Kalispell. Keith started logging at the age of 15 with his grandfather on their land. He graduated from Flathead High School in 1963 and then attended the University of Montana.

Keith was drafted into the Army and served with Charlie Company 2nd Battalion 61st Infantry, 5th United States Army. After serving in Vietnam he was honorably discharged in 1968.

Keith fell in love and married his loving wife of 42 years, Terri Learn, on Feb. 20, 1970, in Whitefish.

Keith worked at the Tie Mill for two years and then moved to bookkeeping at the Flathead County road department for six years. He then went back to the woods work that he loved.

Keith loved life. He loved hunting, fishing and camping in the outdoors. He loved gardening and took great pride in it. Keith was great with building unique wood art. He also loved



taking his family to zoos and amusement parks.

Keith is survived by his wife,

Terri Learn, and their three daughters and sons in-law, Lynette and John Bahm, of Missoula, Crystal and Pete Walters, of Charlo, and Colleen and Matt Shupert, of Kalispell; grandchildren, Trenton and Marcus Bahm and Timothy, Brianna and Caitlin Walters; great-granddaughter Harper Lynn Bahm; brother, Gary Learn and wife Carol; sister Gloria Wilson and husband Dave; half-sisters Asenath Crabtree and Gaybeth Cleveland; nephews Darrell, Cory, Kevin and Willy; and nieces Sara, Katrina, Siri, Christine, Stephanie and Melissa.

Keith is preceded in death by his grandparents Levi and Myrtle Learn and Alva and Mae Murphy; his parents, John and Ellen Learn; sister Deanna Waller, and half-brother Gene Learn.

Memorial services will be held on Thursday, Dec. 6 at 11 a.m. at the Bible Presbyterian Church in Kalispell.

Robert Lloyd LeDuc, 90

Robert Lloyd LeDuc, 90, passed away in Kalispell on Wednesday, Aug. 29, 2012. "He went to be with his Lord, loving wife Betty Ann, and deceased family and friends."



Robert was born Dec. 11, 1921, in Crary, Nelson County, N.D., to Leo and Nelva LeDuc. Robert, or "Bob" to many, graduated from St. Mary's Academy in Devils Lake, N.D., where he was a student and athlete in football and basketball. He lived his childhood and young adult years in North Dakota. Upon meeting the love of his life Betty Ann Hologerson, they married in Seattle during World War II and shortly after had their first-born son Trent in October of 1945.

During the war Bob assisted the Army Corps in shipping supplies from the docks in the Seattle area to the war effort in the Pacific Rim. After the war, they returned to North Dakota until 1951 when they moved to Kalispell for the remainder of their lives. Bob, Betty and Trent settled in nicely in the Flathead Valley with other brothers, sisters and parents who moved to Montana. Together they enjoyed the many outdoor recreational splendors while raising their children and building numerous successful businesses. In May of 1954, Scott, the second

waterfowl hunting legend.

Fishing was also another passion but not of the same intensity as bird hunting. Something he could perhaps share with his wife Betty, Tom and Judy Stack, and friends on the Flathead Lake while trolling for Macs and Salmon. He also enjoyed deep-sea fishing on the coast. His other interests included swing and big band dancing. Bob and Betty would dance the night away to acts like Arnie Carruthers, the Don Lawrence Orchestra or something the Flathead Jazz Society drummed up. They liked to "live it up" and enjoy the pleasures of all their hard work.

Above all else, he enjoyed his family, close friends and was always quick to point out any accomplishments of his children, grandchildren or anyone he was proud of. He was a character, a passionate man who was determined, stubborn and opinionated. He had true grit with a soft heart; you might catch him tearing up at the national anthem. He was a true American patriot. He grew up as a Democrat but left as a Republican, but nevertheless he was always proud to be an American.

The community clubs and organizations he belonged to were; BPOE-ELKS, Knights of Columbus, St. Matthews and Risen Christ Catholic churches, Democratic and Republican Parties (at different stages), Flathead Jazz Society, Flathead Braves Bench, Walleyes Unlimited, and the Sheriffs Association. He was also a board member to Ducks Unlimited, Pheasants Forever, Flathead Fishing Association and more.

son, was born.

Bob was an entrepreneur and started several businesses. Most notably was Bob's Sales, which was comprised of entertainment coin-operated jukeboxes, shuffleboard and pinball machines, established in 1968. He eventually added food and beverage coin-operated machines to his business. He sold the business in 1973 and started Golden Wheels Auto Sales business that evolved to include manufactured housing and RVs, of which his sons would ultimately join in forming as the family entity.

Together Bob and Betty also ran the Elks Resort summer bar and lodge for the local BPOE from 1967 to 1971, and promoted many summer activities and evening jazz band events.

Bob was a proud family man who enjoyed the mix of friends and family on outings to Glacier Park and area lakes and rivers. Above all else, he was a diehard waterfowl hunter. Growing up in the central flyways of North Dakota with his brothers and uncles during the Great Depression, his entertainment was hunting before and after school, or for that matter, any time he could. He shared his knowledge of hunting sports with his family and select friends, if you were lucky. It was amazing to witness his resolve in outsmarting those geese and ducks that were always at his beck and call. Many will remember him as a

One final note, there was not a dog that Bob met that he did not like or could not get to. Even the meanest he could disarm. After all, if you checked his pocket he would always have dog treats to win over any dog.

"As they say, 'They don't make 'em like they used to.' See you in the skies!"

The family suggests memorial gifts be given in lieu of flowers to Ducks Unlimited Youth Green Wing program.

Bob is survived by two sons, Trent LeDuc and wife Sheila, and Scott LeDuc and wife Joyce, all of Kalispell; five grandchildren, Ryan LeDuc and wife Kathy, Tye LeDuc and wife Jessica, Angela LeDuc, Kyle LeDuc and Paige LeDuc, all of Kalispell; and numerous great-grandchildren.

A celebration of life will be held for Robert at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 5 at Risen Christ Catholic Church with Father Stanislaw Rog as celebrant. Burial will be at Glacier Memorial Gardens. Visitation will be from noon to 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 4 in the Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Chapel, with a rosary following.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for Robert's family.

Joyce J. Legg, 48

Joyce J. Legg, 48, of Kalispell, died Sunday, April 29, 2012, at Peace Hospice in Great Falls, following a lengthy illness. She was retired after several years of working at the Veterans Home in Columbia Falls.

She is survived by her fiancé LeRoy Cobler and his family; and special friends Valerie and Destiny; and her family from Great Falls.

Joyce was known for her quick wit and her practical jokes. Her beautiful smile and kindness will be greatly missed. Joyce loved fishing, camping and berry-picking. She had many friends all over the Flathead Valley. She was always ready for a family picnic. She was an amazing cook.

Her train trips to and from Great Falls to see her family included sneaking her dog Blu in her purse and hoping she did not get thrown off the train. On one of these trips she took LeRoy's great-granddaughter Destiny, who was



5 years old, for a week and got to experience parenthood. Destiny will never forget that week or the fun she had with "her Joyce" at the lake, waterslides and her house.

Her friendship with Valerie lasted many years. They had so much fun together. During the summer they were together most of the time enjoying the sun and water sports.

LeRoy and Joyce had four years together — not nearly enough. They had a ton of fun, long drives all over the valley looking for yard sales, and many trips shopping. Joyce loved to shop.

Joyce was always playing practical jokes on LeRoy, from firecrackers in his bed to stickers on his ears like earrings. He could only laugh with her. She brought him much joy. It is with great sadness that we say goodbye to such a kind and giving person.

A memorial service was held in Great Falls May 2. LeRoy and his family would like all Joyce's friends to stop a moment on May 9 — Joyce's birthday — and remember the joy she brought to all of her friends and family.

Glenda B. Leigh, 62

On Sunday morning, Oct. 28, 2012, Glenda B. Leigh, 62, "went to a place where she is forever young and free from all pain and suffering."

She was born on Sept. 11, 1950, in Whitefish, the daughter of Barbara and Glen Roose of Eureka.

While attending Eastern Montana College in Billings, she met her future husband Steve Leigh of Broadview, Mont. She finished her education at Eastern and started her career as a special education teacher at Broadview and surrounding communities.

The couple's first son, Erik Charles, joined the family in 1978. In the early 1980s, they moved to Eureka where she continued her teaching career until her retirement. Their second son, Ian Scot, joined the family in 1983. She loved her "boys" and was very proud to be their "mom." She welcomed her "daughters" Alida Glidden and Melissa Brandon into the family, and her heart was full to bursting when Erik and Alida blessed her with her new best friend, granddaughter Keirsi Kay, in December of 2003.

Glenda loved her friends and family and had formed some special bonds with many she had worked with during her years as teacher. She developed a passion for scrapbooking and had a special talent for it, producing albums that her family will cherish for the rest of their lives.



Glenda loved the Episcopal Church and had a deep personal faith that gave her much comfort through the years. She loved the home and yard that she and Steve had on Glen Lake Road. Much enjoyment came from watching the birds from the living room window. She expressed much regret that she wasn't able to do more in the yard and garden because of her declining health, but made up for it in the profound enjoyment she took from just looking at it.

She loved and missed her extended family from Broadview, mother-in-law Marion Leigh, sister-in-law Kathy Slyder, and sister-in-law Bev Schultz and husband Dutch, and all of the nephews and nieces from the prairies.

She is survived by her husband, Steve, of Eureka; two sons, Erik, Alida and Keirsi Kay of Libby, and Ian and Melissa of Eureka; her mother, Barbara Roose, of Eureka; sisters, Shirley Carlson of Great Falls, Sheila Graham and husband Bob of Spokane, and Robyn DeWitt and husband Jeff of Kalispell; brother, Barry Roose, of Kalispell; and numerous nephews and nieces.

There are no plans for public services at this time, but to honor Glenda's memory, she would be happy if you made donations to whatever cause you are passionate about. Most importantly, she would tell you that if you have someone near and dear to you please tell them often that you love them.

Arrangements are by Schnackenberg & Nelson Funeral Home in Eureka.

Earl Peter Leighty, 89

Earl Peter Leighty, 89, passed away on Wednesday, Jan. 11, 2012 at the Immanuel Lutheran Home in Kalispell.



He was born one of 20 children to Bradford and Pearl Leighty in their home in the Deer Park area of the Flathead Valley on Jan. 30, 1922. He completed first through eighth grade at Deer Park School and then quit school to go to work to help support the family.

Earl married the love of his life, Mary Carr, in 1942 and the couple lived in Kalispell and had twin sons, Sam and Dan. They were busy chasing two rambunctious red headed boys.

Earl worked in the lumber industry until he was drafted into the Army in 1944 and served in the Pacific. He was wounded in Okinawa and received a Purple Heart; was honorably discharged in 1946 after the war ended and came back to Kalispell and worked in the lumber industry again. In 1952 they moved to Evergreen where he worked at Montana Saw Service and then at Rollies Machine Works until his retirement. He was known as Red by everyone he worked with and was highly respected in the valley. Earl enjoyed his work.

They raised a big garden, milked cows, and had chickens on their little spread until their boys grew up and graduated from high school. In the early 1980's Earl and Mary started going to the local Saturday Farmers Mar-



ket and continued until about three years ago when Earl's health would not permit him to continue. He served on the Board of the Kalispell Farmers Market. This was a great time for socializing with old friends and making new ones. For a time they also attended the Tuesday evening Kalispell Market and also the market in Whitefish on Thursdays.

He loved to hunt and fish with his boys, his dad and father-in-law in his earlier years. Going to sports activities of the twins, in their school years, was very important to him.

Faith and family were important to Earl. He was an active member of Faith Alliance Church and had served on the board of the church in Evergreen. He was also on the board of Dickey Lake Bible Camp for many years.

Earl was preceded in death by his son Dan in 2011, his parents, 11 brothers and sisters and one granddaughter. He is survived by his wife of 69 years, Mary, son Sam and wife Sandy, daughter-in-law Diana, six grandchildren, 15 great grandchildren, one great-great granddaughter and eight brothers and sisters.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday, Jan. 17, 2012 at 2 p.m. at Faith Alliance Church, 348 second Ave. West, Kalispell. Interment will follow at Glacier Memorial Gardens. Visitation will be held on Tuesday prior to the service from 9 a.m. until noon at Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for Earl's family. You are invited to www.jgfuneral-home.com to view Earl's tribute wall, offer condolences or share memories.

Jan Lerew, 86

Jan Lerew, 86, passed away on Oct. 12, 2012.



Jan leaves behind four daughters, Judy Gasco of Kalispell, Toni Wombles of Gresham, Ore., Cheri Lerew of Socorro, N.M., and Connie Faulker and husband Lawrence of Kalispell; eight grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

Jan was born on Feb. 22, 1926, in Spokane, and worked at Boeing during World War II.

She moved to the Creston area in 1963, developed a lasting love of Montana, residing in various areas of the Flathead Valley and living in Kalispell for

many years.

Jan worked for 15 years at the local phone company and retired in 1993. Jan enjoyed her occupation as a telephone operator, as one of her favorite pastimes was conversing with others.

Jan was a kind and loving mother and grandmother who enjoyed life, was a great storyteller with a love of the written word, and could always see the humor and irony in life and human nature. She was a mostly unpublished poet, and the collection of her writings will be treasured and shared by her family.

Family and friends will be gathering from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 17, at the Elks Lodge in Kalispell to share laughter and tears, thoughts and memories.

Florence Irene Leslie, 83

On Aug. 20, 2012, Florence Irene Leslie "was released by her Lord and Savior from the bonds of this earth and allowed to go home." Florence passed away from natural causes at a local hospital in Great Falls. She was 83 years old.



Florence (Cordell) Leslie was born to Elbert and Irene Cordell on Feb. 27, 1929, in Grand Rapids, Minn.

The majority of her life was spent in Kalispell where she was raised and educated. Due to declining health, she and her husband Harold moved from Kalispell to Great Falls five years ago to be near family.

On June 28, 1947, she married the love of her life, Harold Leslie. One of her favorite stories was of meeting Harold in downtown Kalispell. She was determined to marry him before anybody else could get him. They were married for over 60 years, ending with his death two years ago. The love he and Florence shared was noted by many Flathead residents during the years they lived in Kalispell. They could frequently be seen walking on the west side, holding hands, or driving along with Florence sitting closely beside him.

Florence was a devoted mother to her two daughters, Judy and Jerry, and a proud grandmother to Jeffrey, Matthew and Justin. She loved to hear of every accomplishment and milestone in their lives.

Florence will be remembered by her friends and family as a woman of courage with a "feisty spirit."

She was never at a loss for words and always let you know what she thought. Florence loved laughing, dancing, dogs, babies and singing. She was very proud of a picture taken of her while

singing on the radio. Her favorite activity was camping with Harold at Lid Creek on Hungry Horse Reservoir.

The courage she showed during the last few years of her life will always be a testimony to her strong spirit. Florence fought long and hard against a host of daunting health issues. Her doctors were amazed at her ability to "beat all the odds" and her indomitable will to live.

Florence was preceded in death by her beloved husband of 62 years, Harold.

She is survived by her daughters, Judy and Tom Crump of Entiat, Wash., and Jerry and David Zahler of Great Falls; grandsons, Jeffrey Zahler and Holly of Monroe, Wash., Matthew Zahler and Kimber of Boise, Idaho, and Justin Crump and Kassia of Pateros, Wash.; and great-grandchildren, Genevieve of Monroe, and Trinity of Pateros.

"May you rest in peace dear wife, mother and grandmother. God richly blessed our lives with your presence and love. Your family will miss you dearly but find comfort in the fact that you are with dad again and your suffering has ended."

Florence's family would like to thank the dedicated and loving staffs of both Highgate Senior Living and Beehive Homes of Great Falls for their care and kindness.

Visitation for Florence will be from 3 to 5 p.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 29 at Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home. Graveside services will be held at 1 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 31 at Glacier Memorial Gardens.

The family suggests memorials be sent to Special Olympics Montana, P.O. Box 3507, Great Falls, MT 59403.

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

Albert 'Algie' Lewis, 80

Albert "Algie" Lewis, 80, passed on at 11:45 am Wednesday, May 30, 2012, at North Valley Hospital. He spent his last day joking with his wife, daughter, son-in-law, granddaughter and brother.



He was born in 1931 on his family farm in Columbia Falls at the end of Lewis Lane. The house, which later served as Doc Smiley's veterinary clinic, still stands as a monument to the Lewis legacy.

Al attended Deer Park Elementary where he and his brothers earned the local idiom, "there's only one thing worse than the Lewises, and that's the Peterses." Later he attended Flathead High School, where several weeks before graduation, Al was accused by his English teacher of cheating and quiet, studious Algie dropped the teacher from a second-story window.

Al earned his diploma while serving 23 years in the U.S. Air Force. His tours took him all over the world, including his treasured first deployment in Taiwan; Korea, where he was a plane mechanic when his post was bombed; and England, where he served as a decoder. His color-blindness was a secret weapon during combat training when camouflage made the enemy strikingly stand out from their surroundings.

While serving in England, he married Joyce Greenslade on Sept. 24, 1954.

After returning to the states and retiring from the military, Al joined the crew at the Aluminum Plant where he worked for 16 years. After his return to Montana, Al married Marie Allen StJohn on Aug. 11, 1977.

Al was the eldest boy of six

intelligent and self-sufficient siblings. While always the more reserved of the Lewis gang, Al could be found chasing chickens and whittling "sling-shot rifles" to tease the other children with. After he retired, not much changed. Between reading U.S. history and current affairs books, Al let his grandchildren play in the chicken coop and rake needles for the burn barrel, helped them build dog houses, cat houses and hammer nails into scrap boards, and he babysat their pet rock collections. Al read to his young great-grandchildren and as they grew they returned the favor, reading him their favorite stories while nestled in his lap. Al filled his hours with reading, traveling to Bible study conventions, studying the scripture, and swapping war stories. To keep active he maintained his property, tinkered in his workshop, destroyed his children and grandchildren at cribbage, built puzzles and played dominoes.

Al was preceded in death by his parents, Albert and Prudence Lewis; and brother-in-law, Earl Smithson.

He is survived by his wife, Marie Lewis; his siblings, Evelyn Smithson, Velma and Clay Lauman, Ira and Lillian Lewis, Sam and Nomi Lewis, and Bob and Judy Lewis; his children, Linda and Michael Whardley, Tina StJohn Horner and Bill, Marlys StJohn Ball and Don, William StJohn, and Angela StJohn; eight "bratty" grandchildren; 12 adorable great-grandchildren; and numerous loving nieces, nephews and friends.

Columbia Mortuary will host a viewing at 12 p.m. Friday, June 8, followed by services at 1 p.m. Interment will be at Glacier Memorial Gardens in Kalispell. A reception will follow at the Hampton Inn.

You are invited to go to www.columbiamortuary.com to view Al's guest book, offer condolences and share memories.

Abe Levensgood, 41

"With love and broken hearts we say farewell, for now, to our mountain man, Abe Levensgood, not just a Montana man, but a true Flathead Valley native. To claim this title, you better have proof. It was a source of pride and many conversations were debated on this topic."



"Genuine: to know Abe was to love Abe. Courageous, caring, simple and giving. If you judged Abe by the outside, you found a man who probably needed a new shirt. There was no need to buy a new one till the old one wore out. He needed a good barber most of the time, but his pocket knife did the job."

"Abe was born 100 years too late. If times got tough, he had his cabin on the mountain; he worked on it and loved it with all his heart. Of course the stories that came from that mountain were always entertaining. He was known to have his salt and pepper shaker handy along with a shovel. If he had to kill dinner because he was hungry, a little seasoning would be needed and then the shovel to cook it on. If it was a slow day of fishing and beef heart was the bait, well that could be dinner, too."

Abe didn't have brothers-in-law, he only had brothers to share in all his fun. Scott was his lead man, Randy, Joey and Lowell completed the circle.

Abe loved guns. Inheriting this hobby from his dad, he passed it on to his daughter, Nikki. Once she got past shooting out the back windows of his truck, she eventually got the hang of deer hunting. Most weekends he and Nikki would drive around scoping out geese or deer, talking and telling stories. He loved to tell them and she loved to listen. "If along the way he found someone short of firewood for the winter, it was stacked

outside their door the next day. There was nothing Abe couldn't build or do. Abe worked hard."

With courage, Abe faced cancer, the same type of cancer that took his brother Scotty. It's not normal for a family to lose both its sons to this terrible disease, but Abe would tell you it's not normal to have a family such as his. The miracles and fun that happened over the years were his delight. Abe was 41 years old. Born Feb. 13, 1971, in Kalispell. He was preceded in death by his brother Scott, who also died at 41.

He is survived by his wife, Heather and daughter, Nikki. Abe's parents, Chris and Arlene, along with sisters Sandy (Randy) O'Connell, Christine (Steve) Blair, Debbie (Joey) Sidor and Laurie (Lowell) Panasuk and sister-in-law Karla Levensgood, father-in-law Steve Douglas and brother-in-law Stephen survive him, along with his nephews Colt, Luke, Christopher, Zane, Bob, Josh and LJ and nieces Jenna, Lindsay, Mandy, Maggie, Sadie and Kelly.

In lieu of flowers, Abe's family would like memorials sent in Abe's name to the local Flathead Shrine Club transportation fund, P.O. Box 762 Kalispell, MT 59903. Condolences may be sent to Chris and Arlene Levensgood, Box 220 Somers, MT 59932.

There will be a visitation for Abe on Tuesday, April 10 from 4 to 6 p.m. at Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home. Rosary will follow at 6 p.m. Mass of Christian burial for Abe will be held Wednesday, April 11 at 2 p.m. at St. Matthew's Catholic Church with Father Rod Ermatinger as celebrant. Burial follows services at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery. Reception will immediately follow burial until 5:30 p.m. at The Winchester Steak House.

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

Leone A. Levenson, 91

Leone A. Levenson, 91, of Kalispell, died Aug. 24, 2012, at Whitefish Care and Rehabilitation Center in Whitefish.

She is survived by her six children, Renee Ward, Allan Levenson, Dennis Levenson, Darrell Levenson, Rich Levenson and

Reatha Kauffman.

No services are planned at this time. Urn burial will take place at a later date at Glacier Memorial Gardens in Kalispell.

Arrangements are entrusted to Austin Funeral Home.

Terry L. Liebe, 71

Terry L. Liebe, 71, of Eureka, died April 18, 2012. Services will be at 1 p.m. Monday, April 23, at the First Baptist Church

in Eureka.

Arrangements are under the direction of Schnackenberg & Nelson Funeral Home of Eureka.

Arthur M. Lieberman, 76

Arthur M. Lieberman, formerly of New York City, passed away peacefully from lung cancer in Los Angeles on May 1, 2012.



Father of five and grandfather of nine, he loved his family and they adored him. Arthur was a legendary litigator and dealmaker until the end. His storied career and bold life were filled with laughter and love.

Born to Lou and Pearl Lieberman on Sept. 6, 1935, he attended Stuyvesant High School, graduating at 16 years old to attend Cornell University, where he was a member of the Sigma Alpha Mu fraternity. After transferring to New York University, Arthur graduated with honors in electrical engineering.

Soon after graduation, he married the former Doris Greenberg, joined the U.S. Air Force and was stationed at Westover Air Force base in Massachusetts. He retired a captain.

Arthur returned to New York where he worked for IFT, attended Brooklyn Law School at night and had three children with Doris, to whom he was married for 18 years. Upon graduation, he joined the law firm Hoggood Calmaffe, practicing intellectual property law, which became his hallmark. Making partner in four years, he was a licensing expert and patent litigator, appearing before many federal and state trial and appellate courts. Arthur then founded his own successful intellectual property firm, Lieberman & Nowak.

A larger-than-life character in his own right, Arthur was best known for his dealings in the world of heroes. Arthur brought together warring factions to unite the Robert E. Howard library of characters and create "Conan the Barbarian" and "Red

Sonja" movies. He parlayed that success into his partnership with comic book legend Stan Lee and Gil Champion in POW Entertainment.

As much as he loved the "art" of the deal, he loved his family more. The foundation of his family life for more than 30 years was his marriage to his beloved former Beverly Trogdon, with whom he had two children. Together they built homes in Connecticut and Florida, but neither was more spectacular than a lakeside ranch in Montana, where he finally found a place as big as he was. Beverly passed away five years ago, also from cancer.

Arthur will be missed by his family of 20 — his sister, Mimi Shapiro, of Fort Myers, Fla.; his son, Mark Lieberman of New York and wife, Ann Marie, and children, Jake, Alex and Rena; daughter, Shari Balaish of New York and husband, Amos, and children, Timor, Ori and Maytal; son, Mitch Lieberman of Vermont and his wife, Bethany, and children, Andrew, Noah and Emma; son, and business partner Luke Lieberman of California and wife, Shannon; and youngest daughter, Samantha Steinkamp of California and husband, Jeff, whose wedding Arthur was determined to attend; walking Samantha down the aisle only three weeks ago was his last act of courage in what was the last of many family gatherings with Arthur atop the head table ... but many more to come in his honor and wish ... "one family."

The family will be holding a memorial service in New York on Sunday and accepting visitors Sunday through Tuesday. Contact (212) 796-0351 for details.

Donations in Arthur's memory can be made to Bonner Lung Cancer Research Fund, The James Cancer Hospital, Ohio State University, Attn. Steve Chaykowski, 660 Ackerman Road Room 651, P.O. Box 183112, Columbus, Ohio 43128.

Glenn Thomas Lietz, 64

It is with great sadness that the family of Glenn Thomas Lietz of Martin City announces his passing at the age of 64 years.



Glenn was born Feb. 6, 1948, in Scobey to Otto N. Lietz and Florence M. (Grantham) Lietz and was raised in Martin City. He excelled athletically, particularly in football. He graduated from Columbia Falls High School in 1967. He attended the University of Montana in Missoula until he was drafted into the United States Marine Corps in November of 1968. Glenn proudly served his coun-

try in the 1st Reconnaissance Battalion, PFC (Private First Class) in the Vietnam War. He received an honorable discharge in April of 1969 and returned home. He worked for numerous years in the logging industry; in particular, he enjoyed working alongside his family at Lietz Logging. He enjoyed the outdoors, especially his time spent hunting, fishing and hiking. Glenn attended Flathead Valley Community College in Kalispell where he earned an Associates of Arts degree in June of 1983. He was artistic and enjoyed drawing. He took great comfort in his study of the Scriptures and in his faith in Christ. He was a selfless man who was truly loved, appreciated and respected by his family.

Left to remember his life are his daughters, Rachell and Douglas Wilde of Lethbridge, Alberta, Canada, and Danielle and Brian Penny of Missoula; their mother, Colleen K. Jones of Columbia Falls; and his five grandsons, Hayden Douglas Wilde, Michael Ross Wilde, and Thomas Scott Wilde of Lethbridge, and Elijah Thomas Penny and Bridger Daniel Penny of Missoula. Also left to remember his life are his siblings, Donald and Karen Lietz of Hungry Horse, Connie Micken of Spokane, Avis and Harris Endreson of Columbia Falls, Eileene Lyons of Henderson, Colo., and Carol Buzzell and Virginia Strowbridge, both of Kalispell; and numerous cousins, nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased

by his parents, Otto and Florence Lietz; his brother, David E. Lietz; his nephew, Danny Buzzell; his brothers-in-law, Vernon "Red" Thompson, B.J. Micken, Jack Lyons, Keith Buzzell and Ken Strowbridge; and his great-niece, Elizabeth Strowbridge.

A funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Jan. 5 at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Columbia Falls, with Pastor Pete Erickson officiating. Guests are welcome to meet the family prior to the service from 10 to 11 a.m.

You are invited to go to wecare@columbiamortuary.com to offer condolences and view Glenn's tribute wall.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Columbia Mortuary.

Garnet Lime, 86

Garnet Lime, 86, of White Swan, Wash., passed away on Monday, Nov. 5, 2012, at the Toppenish Community Hospital of natural causes.



She was born Jan. 18, 1926, in Browning to Oscar Boy and Cecile (Short Robe) Boy Last Star.

Garnet spent much of the last eight years living with her daughter, Eleanor Sam and family, in White Swan but always preferred her beloved Montana. She was always known as a hardworking woman up to the time of her passing. All who knew her noticed her determination to do things for herself, but most of all, her unexpected humor. She will be sorely missed.

She worked in several occupations through her lifetime, including cooking for the railroad, cleaning for the motel/hotel industry, pulling green chain in a lumber mill and farm laborer. Her hard labor took its toll in 1986 when she was disabled. Even though she couldn't work, it didn't stop her from doing all she could for others.

While living in Browning she met and married her husband of 35 years,

Victor Lime. They lived along the railroad line in Blacktail and finally settled in Whitefish. She moved to Kalispell after the passing of her husband. She never stopped trying to return there, even after moving with her daughter to White Swan.

She is survived by her sons, Roger Boy of Deer Lodge, Daron Lime and Phebe of Bigfork, Elias Lime of Littleton, Colo., and Cecil Lime of Craig, Alaska; and two daughters, Margaret Bearchild and Lloyd of Cut Bank, and Eleanor Sam and Johnny of White Swan; and 20 grandchildren, including Mark Lime, whom she helped raise, and Amber; and numerous great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Victor; two stepsons, Camilo Lime and Adolfo Lime; two grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Colonial Funeral Home in Toppenish is handling the cremation. A memorial service will be held at 3 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 13, at the Wapato Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses, 280 N.W. Manor Road, in Wapato, Wash. Another memorial service will follow at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 24, at the Valley View Kingdom Hall, 100 Valley View Court, in Kalispell.

Sam T. Lincoln, 70

Sam T. Lincoln, 70, died Saturday, Sept. 15, 2012, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center.

A memorial service will be at 2 p.m. Wednes-

day, Sept. 19, at Edgewater RV Resort in Lakeside.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for the family.

Arnold Elwell Lind, 92

Arnold Elwell Lind was born in Harcourt, Iowa, on Feb. 1, 1920, to Laura Mettie



(Johnson) and Reuben Arner Lind. He passed away on July 3, 2012, at the Heritage Place nursing home in Kalispell.

Arnold grew up in Boone County, Iowa, the eldest son in a family with five brothers and one sister ("Five thorns and a rose," he would always say). Arnold graduated from Dayton High School, and worked on local farms as a young man. He was adept at repairing tractors, and this became one of his great passions in life. He worked at International Harvester and Crouse Implement in Boone, Iowa.

In 1952, he moved to Kalispell where mutual friends introduced him to Flora Hedge at The Salvation Army Church. Arnie and Flora fell in love and were married on Feb. 14, 1953. In the next three years, they were blessed with their first three children.

Arnie went to work for Mountain Tractor Company (which later became Northwest Machinery) in Kalispell, repairing heavy equipment and tractors until he retired. Arnold earned a reputation as an expert mechanic who always got the job done, no matter how difficult the challenge.

ing tractors, as a member of the Antique Tractor Club. He also enjoyed emailing friends and relatives, with family history as a favorite topic of discussion.

Arnie was humble and gentle, and had a strong work ethic. He was a man of quiet faith, who showed his love for God through the integrity of his life and his service to others. He valued family relationships, always working to connect family members.

Arnold was preceded in death by his parents, Reuben and Laura Mettie Lind; and his brother, Jack Lind.

Arnold is survived by his wife, Flora, of Kalispell; sons, Arnold R. and Laura of Olympia, Wash., and David and Renal of Kalispell; daughters, Lois and John Cummings of Kalispell, Dolores and Jord Thomas of Escondido, Calif., and Janet and Dale Sparks of Menifee, Calif.; 11 grandchildren, Julie, C.J., Brian, Miranda, Megan, Christina, Alexandria, Andy, Tatiana, Angela and Celeste; eight great-grandchildren, Brody, Eleanor, Gabriel, Anika, Eric, Kevyn, Jacob and Sebastian; three brothers, Maynard and Lillian, James and Karen, and Carrol and Julie; sister, Velma (Cary) Feagins; and many nieces and nephews.

Visitation for Arnold will be from 1 to 5 p.m. Friday, July 13, in the Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Chapel in Kalispell. A celebration of life service will be held at 1 p.m. on Saturday, July 14, at The Salvation Army, 110 Bountiful Drive in Kalispell, with Maj. Steve Svenson officiating. A graveside service will follow at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery, with a reception at The Salvation Army following interment.

In the following years, two more daughters were born and the Lind household was complete. Arnold and Flora raised their children in Kalispell, attending The Salvation Army Church. Each summer, the family would take a road trip to visit his beloved family and friends in Iowa. After retirement, Arnie volunteered each Christmas at The Salvation Army, organizing food and toys for Christmas baskets which blessed needy families throughout Flathead County. Arnie and Flora joined The Good Sam Club in 1975 and were active in the club many years.

In retirement, he pursued his hobby of rebuild-

The family suggests memorial donations in Arnold's name to The Salvation Army Kalispell Corps, P.O. Box 8357, Kalispell, MT 59904. Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home is caring for Arnold's family. You are invited to go to www.jgfuneralhome.com to offer condolences and sign Arnold's guest book.

Robert Lee 'Bob' Lindborg, 85

Robert Lee "Bob" Lindborg, 85, died Friday, Jan. 20, 2012, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center in Kalispell, with his wife and son by his side.

He was born on Feb. 22, 1926,

to Carl Johan and Hilma (Lahtinen) Lindborg.

After graduation from Missoula High School, he enlisted into the Army Air Force. After his time in the service as a gunner, he attended Choinard Art School in Los Angeles, then attended and graduated from the University of Montana in Missoula. He always said he majored in "yearbook." While he was in the service he drew cartoons for the camp paper. Later he did cartoons for the veterans' edition of "Army Times" and the "Montana Farmer."

During his university years he worked summers for the Forest Service in Idaho and continued to do that when he worked for Superior Publishing in Seattle as an artist. He treasured his memories of the Forest Service and Round Top and the friendships that were established during those years.

After Superior Publishing he went to Des Moines, Iowa, where he worked for three years for Meredith Publishing Company (publishers of Better Homes and Gardens).

Bob married Myra Marjerison Gamett on Oct. 22, 1960, becoming father to her



son, Howard Gamett. They moved to St. Paul, Minn., in November 1960. They had a son, Lee Robert, born in 1962 in St. Paul.

Bob worked for an advertising agency in St. Paul for two years, before coming back to Montana in 1962 where he was with Wendt Advertising in Great Falls for 29 years as an art director. When the opportunity arose, he and Stan Meyer bought the agency. The agency thrived under their leadership.

Bob retired in 1991 and he and Myra moved to Bigfork, back into the mountains they both loved. The first project there was helping Lee build an annex for Bob's studio and Myra's sewing room. Bob enjoyed his life in Bigfork where he had time to do his watercolor painting and other pursuits. He assisted with the Montana Watercolor Society annual exhibit, designing and producing the printed materials needed for that.

He was preceded in death by his stepson, Howard Gamett.

He is survived by his wife, Myra, at the home in Bigfork; son, Lee Lindborg, and wife, Debbie, of Plains; a granddaughter, Kendra Gamett, of Havre; a sister, Alice Zakos, of Seattle; a brother, Richard Lindborg, of Missoula; and nephews and niece in whose progress he always expressed interest.

Memorial services for Bob will be held at a later date.

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

James Ronald Locke, 72

James "Jim" Ronald Locke, 72, of Troy, died Feb. 10, 2012, in Libby.

He is survived by his wife, Karen Locke, of Troy; and children, Kirsten Locke of Superior, Kate Locke of Bozeman, Katchen Locke of Brooklyn, N.Y., Killian Potter of Bozeman, and Joseph Ace

Locke of Missoula.

Services will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 15, at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Libby. Visitation will be from 1 to 5 p.m. today, Feb. 14, and from 9 to 11 a.m. Wednesday at Schnackenberg & Nelson Funeral Home in Libby.

William 'Bill' Marvin Loudermilk, 74

William "Bill" Marvin Loudermilk, 74, longtime resident of Bigfork, died March 24, 2012, at Brendan House in Kalispell.

At his request, no services will be held.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Andre O. Lippens, 80

André O. Lippens, 80, of Great Falls, passed away Wednesday, May 23, 2012, of natural causes, at a local hospital.

A memorial service will be held 11 a.m. Wednesday, May 30, at Croxford Funeral Home.

André was born May 5, 1932 to Adolph and Margarite (VanTighem) Lippens in Great Falls. He attended school in Collins and Dutton



and graduated from Kalispell High School.

He served in the Army and was self-employed.

He is survived by nephews Robert and John Blanchet; nieces Diane Beecher and Stephanie Dunaway; brother-in-law Russell Blanchet; nine great-nephews and nieces; and four great great-nephews and niece.

He was preceded in death by his parents and sister Mary Blanchet.

Croxford Funeral Home and Crematory is handling the arrangements. Condolences to the family may be left at www.croxfordfuneralhome.com.

Larry Jon Love, 71

Larry Jon Love, 71, passed away Monday, Oct. 24, 2011, at his home in Kalispell.



He was born Oct. 12, 1940, in Hinckley, Utah, to Robert Vernon and Bertha Musetta (Western) Love. Larry grew up and received his early education in Hinckley. His father died when he was 12 and later his mother remarried George Barton and the family moved to Midvale, Utah. Larry graduated from Jordon High School in 1958.

After high school he moved to Tucson, Calif., and went to one year of college. In 1959 he married Lonakaye Wilcox and they had two children, Kelly Jon and Jamie Lynn. They divorced and he married Glenda Brimhall and had three children, Michael Glade, Kimberly and Larry Alan. They lived in Salt Lake City until about 1969 when the family moved to the Flathead Valley. They divorced.

Larry met Marie Reed VanderBeek in 1988 and they were married in 1993 in the Logan Temple in Utah. Marie had seven children, giving them a wonderful family of 12 children, which they both loved very much. Family was always very important to Larry and he worked hard to provide and care for them. He loved having his family together and it gave him great pleasure as the grandchildren and great-grandchildren came along. He always had a warm smile and hug for each of them and was anxious to hear about their lives.

Larry had many talents. He was an excellent and honest mechanic which he learned from his father and brother Dale. He was a pots man at the Columbia Falls Aluminum Plant from 1970 to 1994, retiring with 24 years of service.

Larry enjoyed the outdoors, doing hunting, fishing, boating and skiing. He was on a bowling league for many years. He had a love for music of all kinds, from opera to country-western, and he was in many church choirs. He also enjoyed dancing and was a very graceful dancer. He was a member of square dance, round dance and line dance clubs.

He was a member of the

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and had a strong testimony of the Gospel. He loved the Lord and lived a life of service, always willing to help wherever he was needed.

Larry was preceded in death by his father, Vernon Love; stepfather, George Barton; a sister, Marilyn, at age 6; and a stepson, Michael VanderBeek, in 2010.

He is survived by a caring and loving wife, Marie Love, of Kalispell; 11 children, Kelly Love and wife Chris of Grand Junction, Colo., Jamie Martinez and husband Rudy of Salt Lake City, Michael Love and Kim Flagg, both of Kalispell, Alan Love and wife Susie of Manhattan, Marnie Tinker and husband Brad of Gilbert, Ariz., Cindy VanderBeek of Gilbert, Ariz., Rob VanderBeek and Cheryl of Las Vegas, Eric VanderBeek and wife Chiara of Lewis-town, Jason VanderBeek and wife Leslie of Phoenix, and Larry Cowgill of Deer Lodge; his mother, Bertha Barton, of Midvale, Utah; two brothers, Dale Love and wife Lola of Midvale, and Steven Love and wife Nancy of Scottsdale, Ariz.; 30 grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; three sisters-in-law, Camille Gloschat of Kalispell, JoAnn Hudson and husband Mark of Whitefish, and Verdella Grout and husband Richard of Driggs, Idaho; three brothers-in-law, Jim Reed and wife Velma of Burley, Idaho, Frank Reed and wife Claudia of Tooele, Utah, and Fred Gloschat of Bigfork; and those he considered a part of his family, Jolyn Pabst, Geni Barnett, Cathleen Lane, Windianne, Mathew and Andrew Howk; along with many other extended family.

Funeral services for Larry Love will be held at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 29, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Bigfork Ward, at 121 Crestwood Drive, Bigfork, with burial to follow at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery in Kalispell. There will be visitation from 4 to 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 28, at the church, with the family present and one hour prior to the service on Saturday.

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

Francis Joseph 'Joe' Loviska, 55

Francis Joseph "Joe" Loviska, 55, died Tuesday, Jan. 8, 2013, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center.

A memorial service will be at 6 p.m. Friday, Jan. 11, at Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home, Kalispell.

Ted Lunde, 82

Ted Lunde "went to be with the Lord" on Oct. 29, 2011.

Born and baptized Theodore Bernt Lunde on June 1, 1929, to Adel and Inga Lunde

in Rolette, N.D., Ted was raised on the family farm with his 10 siblings.

He attended grade school in nearby Nansen, N.D.

He served in the Korean War as a truck driver and mechanic.

On July 10, 1954, he married June Ellen Britsch, who grew up on a neighboring farm. Shortly after they were married they moved to Libby, where Ted worked as a mechanic and service manager at the local Chevrolet garage, while June taught school. They moved to Kalispell in 1968 with their two children, Heather and Ted Lunde.

Ted worked as a mechanic for Plum Creek Timber Company in Columbia Falls, while June continued teaching. Ted retired from Plum Creek in 1994. Shortly after that they moved to Craig, Mont., where Ted enjoyed fishing and retirement and June taught school. After a few years there they moved back to Rugby, N.D., to spend some time near family and old friends. While there, June's health began to deteriorate.

In 2005, they moved



back to Helena to be close to their daughter and family, until June passed away on June 4, 2005. Ted then moved back to Kalispell to be close to his son and family, as well as good friends. When his health began to deteriorate, in May of 2011, he moved back to Helena. He lived with his daughter and family until he passed away.

Ted enjoyed camping, huckleberry picking, hunting and fishing, including countless trips to Duck Lake in all kinds of weather to ice fish. He also enjoyed snowmobiling in his younger days and spending time with family and friends. Ted was a kindhearted, gentle, mild-mannered man. He was loved by all who knew him and will certainly be missed by all.

He is survived by his daughter and son-in-law, Heather and John Monday, and two grandsons Logan and Dillon, of Helena; son, Ted, and daughter-in-law, JoAnn Lunde, and four granddaughters, Amanda, Ashley, Alison and Amy, of Kalispell; his sister, Gladys Moen, of Rugby; and brother, Jerome Lunde, of Hankinson, N.D.; as well as his extended family, Jody and Wendy Jeschke, and their children Hayden, Kendra, Preston and Emmet.

A celebration of Ted's life will be held at 11 a.m., Saturday, June 23, at the Trinity Lutheran Church in Kalispell. To offer condolences or share a memory of Ted, please visit www.retzfuneral-home.com.

Roy George Lucas, 73

Roy George Lucas peacefully left this world on Friday, Dec. 21, 2012, of natural causes.



He was born April 28, 1939, to Glen and Mildred (Baeth) Lucas in Libby. His father Glen was killed in a logging accident when he was less than a year old, and he always knew and called Duane Whitehouse "Dad." Soon a brother and sister joined the family, Sara Ann Whitehouse and Kent Whitehouse.

Roy was very involved in sports during his childhood and high school years and earned the distinction of captain of the football team.

He received his engineering degree from Montana State University-Northern in Havre and was promptly employed by the U.S. Forest Service as a drafting engineer. He designed many roads, campgrounds, etc. One, among many, is Terriault Lakes Campground.

Roy met and married Bonnie Walker in 1960, and they had two daughters, Jackie and Heidi. They resided in Libby until 1965, during which time they were very involved in the Jaycees. He was also an avid classic car enthusiast during this time of his life.

He loved Montana and Idaho where he lived all of his life, with the exception of a brief three-year period, from 1965 to 1968, when he moved his young family to San Rafael, Calif. He took a job at PP&L.

Roy loved to camp and be out-of-doors as much as possible, enjoying hunting, fishing and any activity that took him into the mountains to see God's glorious creation. He also had an immense love of animals, especially dogs, having rescued several, giving them loving homes.

Roy and Bonnie divorced in 1972. He took a Forest Service transfer to Orofino, Idaho, and met and married Karen Carlson. He was overjoyed to have Karen in his life, along with her five wonderful children, Terry, Rick, Mike, Dena and Rob. The couple resided in Idaho for years. They returned to Columbia Falls after Roy's retirement in 1990.

He met lifelong friends John and Peggy Haight, whom he always considered family and were truly a blessing to him, more than they'll ever know. Roy took an engineering job in Whitefish at WMW Engineering until his heart attack in 1998 when he was forced to "truly retire."

Roy was a wonderful man, always caring about others. He had a wonderful sense of humor and wit, no matter his situation. He brightened the lives of all his caregivers and all he came into contact with.

"The void he leaves in our lives is immense but we rejoice that he has flown away to be with his Lord and Savior and is free from the pain and sickness of this world."

He was preceded in death by his stepsons, Terry and Rob; father, Glen Lucas; and stepfather, Duane Whitehouse.

Survivors include his wife, Karen Lucas, of Columbia Falls; mother, Mildred Whitehouse, brother, Kent Whitehouse, and sister, Sara Whitehouse, all of Libby; daughters, Jackie LeBlanc and husband Robert of Fortine, and Heidi Freemantle of Jimboomba, Australia; grandchildren, Robert, Aaron, Hannah, Maya, Rick, Mike and Dena; and numerous great-grandchildren, aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins.

Visitation will be from 1 to 8 p.m. today, Dec. 28, at Schnackenberg & Nelson Funeral Home. Services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 29, at Christ Lutheran Church in Libby.

John Lund, 64

John Lund, 64, died Sunday, July 15, 2012, at his home in Kalispell.

He is survived by his wife, Pennie; and children, Richelle Ortiz and Leon Barnes.

Services will be held at a later date in Spokane.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for the family.

Everett Martin Lundgren, 95

Everett Martin Lundgren passed away on Feb. 26, 2012, in Whitefish, at the age of 95.

He was born on March 10, 1917, in Bottineau, N.D., to Dan and Marie (Rothe) Lundgren. The family of seven moved to Sweet Grass where he graduated from high school. He attended Montana State University in Bozeman with an emphasis in engineering.

In 1942 he married Grace Keener from Milk River, Alberta. They had three daughters, Laurel, Laraine and Helen. During World War II, he was a successful engineer for the prestigious Boeing Company in Seattle.

In 1946 the family moved from Seattle to Belton (now West Glacier) and with his father Dan, brothers Dan Jr., and Conrad, and family friend Dave Thompson, purchased the West Glacier Mercantile and its holdings at the west entrance to Glacier National Park. The business remains in the family.

In 1948 his wife Grace passed away. In 1950 he married Margaret Coates from Milk River. They had one son, Robert.

He was an ardent fisherman, game and professional goose hunter, and golfer. He loved Glacier National Park and trekked many miles of lake trails and mountain peaks, including several climbs to Chief Mountain and an ascent of Mount Cleveland with his son-in-law Monty Parratt.

He was a member of the Lewis and Clark Foundation, the Glacier Natural History



Association, Ducks Unlimited and The American Bluebird Society. He was president of the West Glacier Lions Club, board member and chairman for eight years with Columbia Falls School District No. 6 and a third degree Mason.

Everett was preceded in death by his parents, Dan Sr., and Marie; first wife, Grace, brothers, Conrad and Dan Jr.; and son-in-law, Park "Monty" Parratt.

He is survived by his wife, Margaret, of Whitefish; brother, Charles, and Alice, of Billings; sister, Alida Lundgren Powers, of Beaumont, Texas; daughters, Laurel Lundgren Parratt of Marysville, Wash., Laraine Lundgren of Missoula, and Helen Lundgren of Tucson, Ariz.; son, Robert, and Nancy Lundgren, of West Glacier; grandchildren, Kimberly and Russell Schneider of Whitefish, Kristin Parratt of Marysville, Brandon Ketchum, Sarah Ketchum and Ursula Ketchum of Tucson, and Maria Lundgren and Anna Lundgren of West Glacier; and great-grandchildren, Casey and Josie Schneider of Whitefish, and Ashley and Joshua Ketchum of Tucson.

A celebration of life for Everett Lundgren will be held early summer 2012, when the bluebirds return.

Donations in his memory may be given to ALERT Helicopter, 310 Sunnyview Lane, Kalispell, MT 59901; or A Christian Ministry in the National Parks, 9185 E. Kenyon Ave. Suite 230, Denver, CO 80237.

Arrangements are entrusted to Austin Funeral Home. You are invited to go to www.austinhf.com to offer condolences, share memories and view Everett's tribute wall.

Anna J. Holmquist Lyght, 90

Anna J. Holmquist Lyght, 90, passed away on Thursday, March 29, 2012, at Heritage Place in Kalispell.



She was born on Oct. 14, 1921, in Velva, N.D., the daughter of Herman and Nora (Lyght) Lukenbill. She received her education in Kalispell Schools.

She loved crafts of all kinds, bowling volunteering for RSVP, camping, huckleberry picking and baking — she baked many wedding cakes.

She married Nels Holmquist on Aug. 5, 1944, in Havre. She worked as a cashier for Buttrey's Department Store and enjoyed being a homemaker. She was active in her church, Central Bible Church, as well as serving in the RSVP program and the Senior Center.

On Aug. 28, 1997, she married Donald Lyght in Red-

ding, Calif.

She was preceded in death by her first husband Nels Holmquist, and her second husband Donald Lyght; three sisters, Edna Rexford, Thelma Rales and Lula Lukenbill; and a brother, Frank Lukenbill.

She is survived by her three sons, Vern Holmquist and wife Joyce of Scottsdale, Ariz., Wes Holmquist and wife Pam of Kalispell, and Ed Holmquist and wife Shirley of Vancouver, Wash.; nine grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral services for Anna will be held at 10 a.m. on Friday, April 6, at Central Bible Church with Pastor Ron Youde officiating, with burial to follow at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

Visitation will be from noon to 5 p.m. Thursday, April 5, at Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home.

The family requests memorials be given to Central Bible Church, 905 First Avenue East, Kalispell, MT 59901; or the Kalispell Food Bank,

1203 Hwy. 2 West, Suite 2, Kalispell, MT 59901.

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

Irene Lyons, 90

Irene Lyons, 90, "went home to be with her beloved husband William "Bill" on Dec. 9, 2012. She was met by her Lord and Savior."



At the time of her death, as in life, she was surrounded by her devoted family. One of her recent desires was to celebrate her 90th birthday embraced by her children.

Her deep faith in the Lord was unwavering. She was an example and guided her family in their spiritual lives as well. Her day started with reading her Bible and devotions. She loved listening to gospel and Celtic music. She loved Montana and this was the impetus for her favorite Scriptures: "I lift up my eyes to the hills... my help comes from the Lord" — Psalms 121.

Irene's family was foremost in her life. She unselfishly put the needs of others first.

She gloried in our accomplishments and comforted us with loss. She lovingly cared for Bill during his extended illness. She lived her life enjoying hobbies that also involved the family life needs. Her hands and her mind were never idle. She was a wicked opponent with word games. She loved cooking and baking cookies — the aroma of cookies still lingers. She enjoyed sewing, knitting, crocheting and gardening.

Bible studies. She had also been active in Girl Scouts, the Moose Club, Lions Club and the North Valley Hospital Guild.

She was born in Anson, Wis., on May 12, 1922. After graduating from high school in 1940, she married the love of her life, William Lyons, in 1943. The first of six children was born in 1945.

The family moved to Kalispell from Wisconsin in 1960. In 1970, the Lyons family moved to Whitefish, which was her home.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Bill; as well as her brothers, Dennis and Neil Roder.

She is survived by her children, Jeannie Jensen and Jerry of Georgetown Lake, David Lyons and Vicki of Eureka, Joe Lyons and Linda of Kenai, Alaska, Karen Horak and Frank of Seeley Lake, Chris McGuire and Chuck of Butte, and Robin Kroeger and Chuck of Fresno, Calif. She is also survived by 13 grandchildren, 23 great-grandchildren, and two great-great-grandchildren. She is survived by her sister, Doris, and numerous family members in Wisconsin and Minnesota.

Her gentle and loving spirit will be greatly missed.

Memorials can be sent to Home Sweet Home Assisted Living in Eureka and the Nazarene Church in Whitefish.

A viewing will be held from noon to 5 p.m. on Dec. 13 at Austin Funeral Home; and a funeral service will take place at 1 p.m. on Dec. 14 at Austin's with interment taking place at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

You are invited to go to www.austinhf.com to offer condolences, share memories and view Irene's tribute wall.

Arrangements are entrusted to Austin Funeral Home.

Outdoor activities were also among her interests — camping, fishing, hunting, hiking and huckleberry picking. She enjoyed anything that would get her and the family outside. However, she could definitely be a stubborn German.

Irene was active in the Nazarene church, immensely enjoying her