Jason Joseph McIntyre, 42, lost his battle with cancer at North Valley Hospital on Friday, Dec. 5, 2014.

Jason was born May 20, 1972, the son of Joanne Biwer and Paul McIntyre in Fargo, N.D. He was raised and educated in West Fargo, graduating from West Fargo High School in 1990. He then graduated from Professional Institute of Massage Therapy in 2000. He moved to Whitefish and opened his own business of Advanced Medical Massage in Kalispell.

He married Sherry Lynn Schneider on Big Mountain on Feb. 20, 2004, on Chair 2 by the Jesus statue. They had two sons — Justin, age 12, and Jacob, age 9.

Jason's love for the outdoors has passed, on the last full moon of 2014. For people who knew Jason, he scheduled family and friends outings on full moon dates, which

Jason Joseph McIntyre, 42



included skiing, snowmobiling, rafting, camping, hiking and fishing. He will be

missed by many.
Jason is survived
by his mother, Joanne
Biwer; stepfather, Eddie
Biwer; daughter, Kyla,
of Hawley, Minn.; sons,
Justin and Jacob, of

Whitefish; ex-wife, Sherry McIntyre, of Whitefish; brothers, Brad and Mary McIntyre of Casselton, N.D., and Brian McIntyre of Fargo; stepsister, Melanie McIntyre, of Fargo; stepbrothers, Paul, Gary and Mark Biggerstaff; and nieces, Lauren Prante of Grand Forks, N.D., and Sierra McIntyre of Fargo.

He was preceded in death by his father Paul McIntyre, stepmother Coralyn McIntyre, and stepbrother Bill Biggerstaff.

A celebration of Jason's life will be held at 4 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 12, at the Moose Lodge in Whitefish. There will also be a service held at a later date in West Fargo, to honor Jason's life.

Austin Funeral Home

is caring for Jason's fam-

ily.

## Terry 'Sean' McIntosh, 47

'Terry "Sean" McIntosh, 47, passed away after a long and well-fought battle with pancreatic cancer on July 13, 2014, in Yakima, Washington.

He was born in Seattle on April 2, 1967.

Sean enjoyed hunting, fishing, hiking and anything outdoors. Though his life was a struggle at times, he had a very warm heart and a witty, humorous personality that could make everyone in the room laugh.

He was preceded in death by his father, Terry M. McIntosh; nephews, Craig Keefer and Danny Haller; and his sister, Justine McIntosh.



He is survived by his mother and stepfather, Saundra and Earl Snyder; siblings,

Cami and Brian Smithson, Robyn and Rick Christopherson, Denise Weidel, and Adam and Mandie Snyder; and several aunts, cousins, nieces and nephews. He will be missed very much by all of his family and friends.

A celebration of Sean's life will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 13, at the Shepherd's Heart Church, 2 S. 10th Ave., in Yakima.

#### Gary David McKay, 61

Gary David McKay, 61, died at his home in Whitefish Jan. 1, 2014. He is survived by his

He is survived by his son, Ryan McKay, of Kalispell.

Memorial services will

be held with family in Massachusetts at a later date.

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

#### William 'Bill' McKiernan, 83

Bill McKiernan, 83, passed away on Nov. 28, 2014, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center after a long battle with emphysema and complications of cancer. He was surrounded by family who knew his suffering was ended, and "he would be at peace and pain free with the Lord and his family who went on before him."

Bill was born in Roundup on May 8, 1931, and went through school there being a very accomplished athlete. Shortly after high school he married his high school sweetheart and they had one son who was born while Bill was serving in the U.S. Army during the Korean conflict. He spent two years stationed in Japan carrying supplies to the front line in Korea, During his Army days he continued to be an outstanding athlete, participating in the military baseball teams and boxing.

He returned to Montana and attended barber college, and worked as a barber in Roundup for a few years until he decided that was not his calling; he also was divorced during that time. He continued to play baseball and participated in the Golden Gloves Boxing program. He then attended Montana State University and graduated with a degree in wildlife sciences. Bill was privileged to be the first game warden trainee during his college years and created a program that exists to this day through the college and the State Department of Fish Wildlife and Parks. Bill graduated from MSU and was appointed a state game warden in June 1960, and worked in Baker on his first assignment. He then transferred to Bozeman, on to Butte. and then was promoted to warden sergeant, and moved to work in the Kalispell area.





law to allow wardens to carry firearms on the job. When his work was done in Helena, he was promoted to captain and moved to Bozeman to be the

warden captain of Region 3. In 1977, he was promoted to assistant chief of law enforcement for the Department of Fish Wildlife and Parks, and was in that position until his retirement in 1985.

In 1977, he married Joni and they lived in Helena until 1991, when they moved back to Kalispell. Bill enjoyed his retirement years living on Village Greens Golf Course and playing a lot of golf. He was an outstanding golfer and accomplished "shooting his age" many times as he got older. He made great friends and the 19th hole was always a favorite. When he could not play golf anymore, he enjoyed crossword puzzles, watching the wildlife in the back yard and sports on TV. Many afternoons were spent watching "Gunsmoke" with his best friend Freddie. He never ceased being an athlete at heart.

Bill was preceded in death by his parents, William and Jennie McKiernan; his sister, Marian; and brother, Burt.

He is survived by his wife, Joni; sons, Rodney Pinkham and Young of Las Vegas, and Michael McKiernan and wife Melanie of Great Falls; stepdaughters, Donna Robinson of Reno and her son Michael, and Carolyn Hazard of Kalispell; granddaughters, Megan and Shannon; and six great-grandchildren.

At Bill's request there will be no services at this time.

#### William Charles McKinley, 81

William Charles McKinley, 81, of Missoula, passed away Saturday, July 19, 2014, at St. Patrick Hospital in Missoula.

He was born Nov. 14, 1932, in Poplar to Ethel and Cecil McKinley.

Bill was preceded in death by his parents; son, Jim; granddaughter, Paris McKinley; sisters, Zola LaGourge, Bonnie Watson and Dorothy Swails; and his brothers, Raymond and Robert.

Bill was most recently from Missoula, but was a longtime Bitterroot and Flathead resident,

Survivors include his wife of 62 years Thelma; children, Jody McKinley and Pat Heidemann of Missoula, Tami Larson and Dave of Bend, Ore.; and Vicki Ayala and Willie of Missoula; grandchildren, Rory McKinley and Jamie of Peoria, Ariz., Ryah McKinley of Yakima, Wash., Mystel Creighton and Daniel of Kalispell. Chaille Hooley and Kevin of Columbia Falls, Callan McKinley of Tulsa, Okla., Cheyloe Forbes of Kalispell, Will Ayala of Spokane, Jesse Ayala and Jenneca Barber of Missoula, David Larson of Bend, and Nathan Larson of

Bend; great-grandchildren, Dylan, Faith, Sydni and Blake McKinley of Peoria, Sawyer and Hunter Creighton of Kalispell, and Kynlie Hooley of Columbia Falls; numerous nieces and nephews, and numerous friends and extended family members.

Bill worked on the Hungry Horse Dam and helped construct the aluminum plant the Flathead Valley. He then worked in the logging industry for several years. Bill went into retirement and partnered up with his Kubota tractor. He did lots of custom jobs over the years with his tractor. He was known by family and friends as "Tractor Man."

Bill always had a passion for the great outdoors of Montana. He loved to hunt, fish, camp, drive, huckleberry pick, horseback ride and spend time with others telling stories.

"Friends and family will continue to be accompanied by Bill when they set out on their outdoor adventures."

Bill's memorial service will be announced at a later date in September. Condolences may be left for the family at www. whitesittfuneralhome.com.

In 1971, he left Kalispell and was working in the Fish & Game headquarters office in Helena on special assignment. He worked to create the State Boat Safety Program, designed an entire new uniform for the wardens and helped change the

A memorial is planned for May 8 at Village Greens and at Bill's direction, we will plant a tree in his honor on the golf course.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home is caring for the family and is in charge of cremation.

#### Mike McNeely, 58

Mike McNeely, 58, "went to be with our Lord" on Sept. 22, 2014.

He grew up in Columbia Falls, and died in Columbia Falls. He was very active in sports during high school and is in the Hall of Fame at Columbia Falls High School.

After high school he proudly served our country for 21 years in the U.S. Navy.

He leaves behind his son, Michael McNeely Jr.; and siblings, Judy Bartelt, Richard Hankins, Tom Hankins, Lynn Knudsen, Harley Hankins, and little Falls. Falls. recept flower flo



sister Lois Bibb.
"He will be loved and missed, but he is with the Lord and in our hearts.

God bless him."

A graveside service will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 2, at Woodlawn Cemetery in Columbia Falls. There will not be a reception. All cards and flowers to be sent to Lois Bibb at 395 Birch Grove Drive, Kalispell, MT 5901

#### Viola F. McNeff, 94

Viola F. McNeff, 94, a longtime resident of the Kootenai Valley, died Tuesday, Aug. 19, 2014, at a Spokane hospital.

Surviving her are her children, Larry McNeff of Anoka, Minn., Gale McNeff of Torrington, Wyo., Ted McNeff of North Hampton, N.H., and with the Rev. Laurie Studofficiating. Committal wi follow at the City of Libb Cemetery. Visitation will be from 1 to 6 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home.

Tim McNeff of Libby.
Services are at 11 am.
Monday, Aug. 25, at the
Schnackenberg & Nelson
Funeral Home Chapel
with the Rev. Laurie Stuck
officiating. Committal will
follow at the City of Libby
Cemetery. Visitation will
be from 1 to 6 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home.

# Raymond Edwin McWillan, 92

Raymond Edwin McMillan, 92, of Kalispell died Aug. 7, 2014. a.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 12 at C.E. Conrad Men rial Cemetery, Johnson

An urnside memorial service will be held at 11

a.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 12 at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery. Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home is caring for the family.

#### Christine Ann McVay, 61

Christine Ann McVay. 61, passed away on May 18, 2014.

She was born in Whitefish on Dec. 10, 1952, to Pat and Marie McVay. She was the third of four sisters.

Chris and her sisters grew up as farm girls near Kalispell. She attended Lake Blaine school through eighth grade, and then graduated from Flathead County High School in 1971. She attended Eastern Washington College in Cheney, Wash., where she earned her Bachelor of Arts degree with a special education endorsement. She graduated with honors in 1975.

Her first teaching job was in White Sulfur Springs. She then spent a year teaching in Minnesota before going to Alaska. After two years teaching in Dillingham, she went to Kodiak and made it her home for 37 years. She taught special education classes at Kodiak High School for many years and later earned her master's degree in counseling. She worked as an elementary school counselor until her retirement from the Kodiak Island Borough School District.

Chris made a second career working for the State of Alaska, including being the director of the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation. She also worked in grant-funded programs at Kodiak Community College. During all of her careers, Chris continued earning education endorsements and certificates in areas that enhanced the tasks at hand.



ing from an airplane and climbing a mountain as she was using a computer, a sewing

machine, baking a pie or embroidering a pillow

case.

She committed to every endeavor she undertook. She coached track and cheerleading, and volunteered many hours to support all school activities while she was teaching. She loved being involved in her community and it included time spent with Special Olympics, participating in every Walk for Life event in Kodiak, and volunteering to help young readers at St. Mary's School. But she was especially dedicated to her Kodiak Morning Rotary group. It was most fulfilling for her to be of service to benefit others and causes. Her creative side came out in her home and her hobbies. Her garden and lawn was beautiful, her home full of warmth, and her passion for mosaics and quilting left us with gifts to cherish forever.

Chris was preceded in death by her mother, Marie McVay; and her nephew, Ryan Voermans.

She is survived by her father, Pat McVay; her sisters, Marsha and Bill Voermans, Verna and Don Swanson, and Kate and Steve Tyner; her nephews and niece, Cody, Lane and Kyler Voermans, Ty, Amanda, Simon and Sydney Swanson, Brad, Ja-Ay and Ella Swanson, and Holly, Tom, Mason and Kaylin Manning.

#### Dave Meeker, 63

Dave Meeker, 63, died Jan. 16, 2014, at his residence in Eureka.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Jan. 24, at the Tobacco Valley Cemetery in Eureka. Arrangements are by Schnackenberg & Nelson Funeral Home in Eureka.

Chris was devoted to her family. Family gatherings with parents, sisters, brothers-in-law, niece and nephews, and other extended family and friends were her favorite vacations. She was our family historian. After her mom passed away, she spent time with her dad each year. She and her three sisters had a special bond and enjoyed exclusive "sister trips" as often as possible. Her niece and nephews were her pride and joy, and the subsequent great-nieces and -nephews also were held near and dear to her heart. Greta, her precious dog, was her baby spoiled, doted on and loved unconditionally.

Chris was educated, independent, dedicated and creative. She backpacked through Europe. She built her own house. She was as comfortable shooting a gun, using a fishing pole, parachut-

Always the educator, she helped us navigate our emotions trough her illness. With bravery and resolve she accepted the challenge to fight. She listened, researched and followed advice with a stellar attitude. There were few tears, pity, "why me's" or fear. We called her courageous Chris. We still can her singing "I Did It My Way.'

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to any of Chris's favorite organizations: Chris McVay Scholarship fund, c/o Kodiak Morning Rotary, P.O. Box 1963, Kodiak, AK 99615; Kodiak Special Olympics, c/o Dan Canavan, 610 Egan Way, Kodiak AK 99615; or Soroptimist International Kodiak, Cancer Fund, P.O. Box 367, Kodiak AK 99615.

#### Golda Marie Mehlin, 93

Golda Marie Mehlin, 93, of Kalispell passed away peacefully at Heritage Place on Thursday, March 6, 2014.

She was born on July
22, 1920, to Alberta May
(Feasel) and Jacob J.
Goodhart on a farm northwest of Humboldt, Neb.
She was the youngest of six children.

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Ken an wife, Vonni Bray and their son, Parker, of I rel; Joel and wife, Sta Bray and their daugh

While growing up on the farm, she attended Pine Ridge Country School followed by graduation from Humboldt High in May 1938.

On Dec. 16, 1939, she was united in marriage to Arnold Jun in St. Joseph, Mo., later divorced. Children. Phyllis Kay and Roger Lynn, were born to this union. On Oct. 26, 1957, she married C.L. Mehlin in Rockport, Mo., where they owned and operated a small business. Through the years this couple engaged in the dry cleaning business in Nebraska and Susanville, Calif. Then in the 1960s, Golda entered into law enforcement in Wyoming. She did dispatching while training and scheduling in Riverton and Torrington, Wyo. Golda retired as a communications sergeant in 1986. She and her husband moved to Montana to be near daughter and family.

She is survived by her son, Roger and wife, Laureen, of Otoe, Neb.; son-in-law, Gary Bray of Kalispell; grandchildren,



Paul and wife, Susan Bray and their children, Julia and Josh, of Kalispell; Ken and

wife, Vonni Bray and their son, Parker, of Laurel; Joel and wife, Stacey Bray and their daughter, Violette of Cheyenne, Wyo.; Jacob and wife, Ruth Jun and their children, Danny, Devon and Joselyn of Indiana; greatgranddaughter, Nevaeh of Kansas; as well as neighbors and many friends at The Elms apartments in Kalispell.

She was preceded in death by her parents; daughter, Phyllis Jun Bray; brothers, Ray Vernon Goodhart, Dale and wife Ruth Goodhart, Leo and wife Una Goodhart, and their son Jon Goodhart, Merle and his wife Bernice Goodhart; sister, Daisy and husband Harold Smith; and granddaughter, Denise Jun.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, March 11 at Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home in Kalispell. A viewing will begin one hour prior to the service.

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

#### Jane Marie Owens Mende, 84

Jane Marie Owens Mende "made her journey home" on Dec. 12, 2014, comforted by close family in Oceanside, California. She had been battling health issues after a severe stroke in January.

In her 84 years, the impact she left on this Earth is a monument to her life of God's service. She was born in Carlyle, Montana, on Aug. 17, 1930, to Reese and Luella Owens, the youngest and only girl in the family of six children.

Jane married her high school sweetheart, Billie D. Mende, when she was 20 years old and soon started her family. They were happily married for 57 years before she was preceded in death by him, the love of her life, in 2009.

Bill and Jane moved to Kalispell around 1955, where their children grew up. Their sons each moved to California with their young families to find opportunity. In 1989, Bill and Jane also



moved to Southern California, which made them closer to their younger grand-

children. They attended all the football, baseball, wrestling and award ceremonies that they could, and made supporting their grandchildren a large part of their life.

Her remaining family is a long list which she would want to be named just as she did every morning in her prayers. She is survived by her brother, Robert Owens of Kalispell; her children, Jim and Maggie Mende of Perris, California, Mike and Sandra Harp of La Quinta, California, Randy and Debbie Mende of Oceanside, Mark and Sandi Mende of Livermore, California, and Mike Mende and Doryl Thompson of Aliso Viejo, California: as well as

Jane's grandchildren and their families, Marcey Mende, Rod and Jenny with their children Ryder and Haven Mende, Kelly Pedersen and husband Jonathan Dobson, Reese and Meira with their children Paige, Reagan and Lucas Pedersen, Joe Mende, John and Stephanie with their son Jace Mende, Billie Mende, Jimmy Mende, Riley Mende, Ryan Mende, Tyler Mende, Ryder and Jody with their children Sydney and Joey Harp, Kelly Harp and her children Jude and Divva Smith. and Jason Thompson.

Two departed grandchildren, Bradley Mende and Justin Thompson, "will have greeted her upon arrival."

Jane was not just a sister, parent, grandparent and great-grandparent, she was also a devoted sister-in-law, aunt, cousin and friend to many more. She shared her love and service with an extended family that far

exceeds in numbers than can be recounted. Jane was a nurse as a young woman until she became a mother. As her children grew, she was heavily involved in church activities, Joy Club, Vacation Bible School, church camps and Bible Study Fellowship, which she was active in for decades until her stroke early this year. She was a spiritual leader to all, and she did so humbly and enthusiastically. She always reminded us to thank God in the good times and to look to him in the bad. Jane always knew the exact right timing to send a note or to visit a friend. She counseled many in their last moments and also bathed and nurtured just as many in their first moments of life. She was a true hero and bright light to all who knew her.

For those who would like to join in the celebration of Jane Mende's life, she will be buried alongside her husband at 11 a.m. on Jan. 10 at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery in Kalispell, with a service and reception following at noon in the Red Lion's Fireside Room.

# Beverly E. Menz, 85

Beverly E. Menz, 85, died Monday, June 23, 2014, at North Valley Hospital in Whitefish.

She is survived by her husband, Richard Menz of Funeral Home.

Whitefish. There will be no services held at this time. Arrangements are entrusted to Austin

#### David Wayne Mentzer, 65

David Wayne Mentzer, 65, passed away on "April 9, 2014, in Kalispell at Brendan House in Kalispell.

Dave was born June 27. 1949, in Oregon to Betty Louise Rice and Leonard Wavne Mentzer.

Dave was a logger for many years until he was injured. He couldn't go back to logging so he loaded up his truck and camper and was headed to Spotted Bear for the summer to think about what he was going to do next. Dave got a flat tire and was stopped along the road. This was when Deb and Cameron stopped to help. Dave said he was looking for work and was hired on the spot to work at the Diamond R Guest Ranch. He then moved over to Wilderness Lodge and was a guide and pack- Deb and Jason Lee. er. This was also when Dave became family to us 27 years ago.

Dave retired from outfitting and started driving truck for Goose Bay and was working for LHC when he passed away.

Dave's passions were his dog Maggie, hunting, fishing, guns, his

goddaughter Becka, and the kiddos Stormy and Morgan. Dave loved riding his four-wheeler and spending as much time as he could in his camp at Spotted Bear. Dave also loved to tinker around and spend time outside. Dave had a great sense of humor and loved to tease us every chance he got.

Dave fought for life, surviving heart surgery, colon cancer, diabetes and six and a half weeks in the hospital. He was proud of being a "stubborn German."

Dave was preceded in death by his parents, Betty Louise Rice and Leonard Wayne Mentzer.

Dave is survived by his goddaughter Becka, and her husband Matt, and the kiddos Stormy and Morgan, and Cameron,

A celebration of life will be held at 1 p.m. on Saturday, April 19 at The Dew Drop Inn in Coram.

Condolences may be sent to the family to P.O. Box 190391, Hungry Horse, MT 59919.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home is caring for Dave's family.

# Rialdo Clark Merrill, 82

died Sunday, Dec. 28, 2014, at his residence in Columbia Falls.

Private family services

Rialdo Clark Merrill, 82, will be held at a later time. Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for the family.

#### Marvin 'Skeez' Messing

Skeez Messing, 92, passed away on Aug. 1. 2014, at Hidden Meadows Memory Care in Columbia Falls.

He was born to Marvin and Emily Becker Messing in Freeport, Ill., where he grew up. He was nicknamed Skeez because his life paralleled the character, Skeezix, in the comic strip "Gasoline Alley." His artistic nature emerged early; in high school he cleverly hid the name of his future wife in all of the illustrations in the yearbook!

Skeez attended the Art Institute of Chicago on a Guggenheim scholarship. Like so many of his generation, World War II interrupted his education. Thirty-six hours before shipping out, he married his high school sweetheart, Ann Landreth.

Skeez served with the Navy Seabees in the Pacific Solomon Islands for the duration of the war. When the war ended, the Messings resumed their lives in Freeport where Skeez joined the family business, Messing and Becker Sporting Goods. Skeez managed the store while pursuing his art. He worked in oil paint, stone and wood sculpture and intaglio prints.

During the 1960s, Skeez became actively involved in the Civil Rights Movement, one of the most prolific periods of his artistic career. Skeez firmly believed that artists have a duty to inform and evoke deep thought about the human condition. He felt that every person has



voice and enjoyed teaching art at Highland Community College. Freeport, and Flathead Valley Community College. Kalispell.

an artistic

Skeez's work is featured in museums, churches and private collections.

The Messings relocated to the Flathead Valley 29 years ago to be closer to their daughters and grandchildren. Skeez continued his art and loved skiing, sailing and hiking. He was a lifelong Episcopalian and active in the Cursillo movement.

Survivors include Ann. his wife of 71 years, at Buffalo Hill Terrace, Kalispell; daughters, Pam Messing Hughes and Richard of Whitefish, and Kristi Messing of Missoula: and grandchildren, Brennan and Spencer Hughes and Lindsay Dalby. He is also survived by two beloved exchange daughters, Hiroko Nakamura of Tokyo, and Marta Dantas of Sao Paulo, Brazil.

Skeez was preceded in death by his sister, Patricia Messing Nash; and brother, John "Jack" Messing.

A private family service will be held immediately and a celebration of life will be announced in 2015.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home in Kalispell is handling the arrangements.

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# Well-known Flathead artist dies at 92

By HILARY MATHESON

The Daily Inter Lake

Marvin "Skeez"
Messing, whose
contemplation of
the human condition led him to a
life of painting,
sculpting and
printmaking, died
Friday at Hidden
Meadows Memory



MESSING

Care in Columbia Falls. He was

In addition to being an artist, Messing is remembered by many in the Flathead Valley as a teacher. He taught portraiture and oil painting for about 11 years at Flathead Valley Community College.

His art explored the complexities of human nature and society as a whole. In a Daily Inter Lake article published in 2008, Messing described the drive behind his

"Our nature is a paradox — divine yet savage; compassionate, yet monstrous. I question aspects of this paradox in graphic and symbolic images," he said.

Messing's artistic influences were drawn from Salvador Dali and Francisco de Goya, according to his daughter, Pam Hughes, of Whitefish. While his art may be considered surrealist, Messing said in the 2008 interview that he preferred to describe it as "contemplative."

"He wanted people to contemplate it," Hughes said. "He believed artists had a responsibility to make people think or to evoke an emotion through art."

Another of his daughters, Kris Messing, of Florence, said she hopes people remember her father as a thought-provoking artist, receptive to people's interpretations of his work.

Hughes added that her father was extremely disciplined and



MESSING'S PAINTING, titled "The Imminent Violent Death of a Liberal Conservative Idealist," was featured in a 2008 FVCC art show.

considerate of others.

A native of Freeport, Ill., Messing attended the Art Institute of Chicago prior to joining the Navy Seabees. He married his high school sweetheart, Ann, just 36 hours before shipping out. During World War II he served two years in the South Pacific and stateside.

After his military service he returned to Freeport to work in the family business, a sporting goods store, and taught art in an adult education program.

When he wasn't working, Messing was painting in his studio.

"From about 7 to 11 p.m. he would be painting or sculpting," Hughes said, recalling that he painted to a musical piece titled the "War Requiem."

The 1960s was a prolific period in his art career, and Messing himself was an activist during the Civil Rights Movement, according to Hughes.

Following his retirement he continued his education with art

classes at Highland and Northern Illinois University in Dekalb, Ill.

When he moved to the Flathead Valley in 1985 he enrolled in art classes at Flathead Valley Community College before he became an instructor.

It wasn't until he reached the later stages of Parkinson's disease that Messing physically could no longer paint.

To help their father maintain his connection to art, they hung one of his paintings by his bedside.

Kris Messing described the painting: "It is of a human walking into this ethereal forest and in the foreground he has shed what would appear to be a coat disappearing into the soil. It basically was a picture of death — shedding of the body and the soul going forth. Several times when he was going on the downward spiral he would fixate on that.

"It was the journey he was going to be taking."

See page A6 for a full obituary.

#### Helen Meyer, 84

Helen Meyer, 84, passed away Jan. 20, 2014, in Kalispell.

She was born June 10, 1929, in Cody, Wyo., to Oscar and Catherine Thompson. She was raised on a ranch a few mile north of Cody. She graduated from Cody High School in Wyoming, in 1949.

Helen married Francis L. Thorpe in Vernal, Utah. In her late 20s, her husband was killed due to a hunting accident near Aspen, Colo. She was left with an 11-year-old boy to raise. She owned a beauty shop business for many years in Grand Junction, Colo. It was one of the most popular shops in Grand Junction.

Helen met and married Homer Meyer in 1967. They then moved to Walden, Colo., in 1969. After three years at that location, they spent several years each in Canon City, Colo., and Oklahoma City. The final location prior to retirement was a 12-year stay in Roswell. N.M. Preferring the Northwest, they moved to Kalispell to retire in 1995.

During her journey through the states, she was quite proud that she obtained and held a Realtor license in Colorado, Oklahoma and New

Mexico.

In retirement, Helen enjoyed collecting Mexican decor and Indian art. Her favorite pastime was reading books by the hundreds. As friends observed, seldom did she



go anvwhere without a book in hand.

She was a member of Good Sams Rocky Mountain

Rollers RV Club and enjoyed outings in the motorhome to various

campgrounds.

Helen's kind heart was an inspiration to her family and friends. She had a special ability to make people smile instantly with her dynamic personality. One of her special traits was her delight of wearing earrings (large) to nearly any destination.

She lived her life with integrity and bravery.

Helen is survived by her husband, Homer; son, Frank; sisters, Virginia James and Mona Linville; brothers, Dick and Oscar Thompson; and numerous nieces and nephews. She also leaves behind two precious kitty cats, Blue Eyes and Wilson.

A celebration of Helen's life will be held at 10 a.m. on Thursday, Jan. 23. at Risen Christ Catholic Church.

The family requests memorial contributions be made to the Flathead County Animal Shelter, 1035 1st Avenue W., Kalispell, MT 59901.

Friends are encouraged to visit the website, www. buffalohillfh.com, to leave notes of condolence for the family. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for the family.

#### Tabitha Mary Migwi, 16

On Nov. 10, 2014, Tabitha Mary Migwi, 16, "graduated from earth to heaven" as a result of a car accident.

She was born Jan. 13, 1998, at North Valley Hospital in Whitefish. From the very beginning Tabitha brought life, light and joy to everyone touched by her life and everywhere she went. As Tabitha grew she matured into a beautiful, young woman with a flair and zest for everything life had to offer.

Tabitha enjoyed the lifestyle and activities of the Flathead Valley — skiing on Big Mountain, water skiing on Ashley Lake and hiking in Glacier National Park.

She was a National Honor Society student at Stillwater Christian School where she excelled academically. She was in numerous school activities: the concert, chamber and women's choir; she gave up her basketball career as



a freshman to pursue drama. Tabitha played the title role in "Cinderella" and performed

at the Bigfork Playhouse in "Peter Pan." In addition, she played the saxophone and clarinet in the school band and she was an accomplished pianist. She loved art, poetry, quotes and words, and was an avid reader and writer.

Tabitha loved to travel and began as a little girl living in Papua, New Guinea for three years with her mom and missionary grandparents, had traveled to Kenya, the birthplace of her father Simon Migwi, visited the Czech Republic twice and fulfilled a dream this past summer of sightseeing through Europe, England and Scotland. She spent spring breaks and sum-

mer vacations exploring many sights and cities in the Western U.S. with her family. She had been places fossil hunting with her grandpa where few have trod.

Tabitha was a quiet, unassuming leader and was the vice president of her junior class. She was a peacemaker amongst her peers. Her friends were many, and she possessed a confidence, composure and wisdom beyond her years.

All of Tabitha's gifts and accomplishments are a testimony to her love and dedication to her Savior Jesus Christ. She wanted to honor Him with her actions and words.

Tabitha was preceded in death by her father, Simon Migwi; and her paternal grandparents of Kenya.

She is survived by her mom, Kristen Migwi; maternal grandparents, Don and Ruth Slabaugh, of Whitefish; uncle, Todd Slabaugh, and aunt, Jenny, of Morrisville, N.Y.; cousins, Nathaniel, Aaron, Moriah and Peter; and extended family and many, many friends.

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An essay Tabitha submitted with her National Honor Society application was about growing up with a widowed mother and the education made possible to her through the generous assistance of others. Therefore a scholarship fund to Stillwater Christian School has been established as a memorial to Tabitha's life. Checks may be made payable to Stillwater Christian School. Donations may be sent to Stillwater Christian School, 255 FFA Drive, Kalispell, MT 59901.

A memorial service will be held for Tabitha at 1 p.m. on Saturday Nov. 15, at Hope Church, 436 Birch Grove Road, Kalispell.

Arrangements are entrusted to Austin Funeral Home.

# Girl dies in crash on Montana 40

The Daily Inter Lake

A 16-year-old Whitefish girl died in a vehicle accident Monday.

Tabitha Mary Migwi died when the car she was driving pulled into the path of a westbound logging truck on Montana 40 between Whitefish and Columbia Falls.

Migwi was a student at Stillwater Christian School in Kalispell (See story below).

The accident occurred at the intersection of Dillon Road and Montana 40.

The Montana Highway Patrol

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says the crash happened at about 4:30 p.m. Monday. The weather did not appear to be a factor in the crash.

The 64-year-old man driving the logging truck wasn't injured.

The Columbia Falls
Fire Department, Flathead County Sheriff's
Office and Three Rivers
Ambulance also responded to the scene.

The cause of the accident is still under investigation by the Montana Highway Patrol. Trooper Brian Thorne said the

Highway Patrol will go out and map out the scene of the accident and conduct interviews with witnesses and the driver of the logging truck.

"According to [the logging truck driver] and some other witnesses, there just wasn't any time for him to really even do anything," Thorne said. "She pulled out and there wasn't enough room there.

"We don't really know why."

Migwi was wearing her seat belt.

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## Rosalyn Marie Wolfe Milam, 70

Rosalyn Marie Wolfe Milam, 70, passed away on March 6, 2014, at her home in Kalispell after a courageous battle with lung cancer.

Rosalyn was born on Oct. 13, 1943, in Anaconda, the daughter of Frank and Anna Wolfe.

Rosalyn was a member of the Class of 1961 at Flathead County High School. She married Bob Milam on June 16, 1960, in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. As a U.S. Navy wife, she lived in several California cities and Philadelphia. They went their separate ways in 1982.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Frank and Anna Wolfe; her son, Robert Jr.; and several of her siblings, Jean, Bob, Bill, Mary Lou be held at 1 at St. Matth Church in 1 in lieu of tions can be stlabre.org.



and JoAnn.
Living
loved ones
include her
daughters,
Laura of
Kalispell,
Tamala,
Victoria,

and daughter-in-law, Tara of Washington; her grandchildren, Kayla, Stephanie, Alyssa, Kathryn, Ryan, Jennifer, Everett and Patrick; and great-grandson, "V"; her siblings; and many nieces and nephews. She will be greatly missed by all who knew her.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. June 13, at St. Matthew's Catholic Church in Kalispell.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be sent to www. stlabre.org.

#### Minta Mae Schnur Milner, 83

Minta Mae Schnur Milner was born in Washington on Sept. 11, 1930, to Preston and Opal Bourne.

She "went to be with her Lord and Savior" on Aug. 7, 2014, in Kalispell. She grew up in Fairfield, Mont.

As a young lady, she met Donald Schnur and moved to California where he was a sheriff helicopter pilot and former Marine. After his retirement, they moved to Tucson, Ariz. After Donald passed away, she moved back to Kalispell to be with her family, which consisted of her son, Ken, and Lynn Schnur; brother John, and Lou Olsen; sister, Betty, and Chuck O'Masters; and sister, Judy, and Harvey Wicklund.

Mickie, as she was known to everyone, was



so full of life and enjoyed being around her family and friends. No matter who she

came in contact with, her infectious smile and laughter made everyone feel so comfortable and fall in love with her. She was involved with Toys for Tots for many years, loved to square dance, was a member of the Marine Corps League and loved to travel.

She was very involved with her family. She loved to spend time with her kids, grandkids and great-grandchildren. She was known to "adopt" others into her family. She always had so much love to give and never knew a stranger.

Mickie was very involved with her church, Landmark Worship Center, pastored by her daughter, Dawn, associate pastor, Janet Elliott and staff minister, Stephanie Leite. Through Landmark Worship Center, Mickie was involved with child sponsorship through Compassion International and Operation Christmas Child with Samaritan's Purse.

Mickie was preceded in death by her son, Kenneth Schnur, and grandson, Jason Schnur.

She is survived by her daughter, Dawn Marie Schnur; adopted daughter, Janet Elliott; daughter-in-law, Lynn, and Chris Delby; granddaughter, Amber, and LJ Abalos; brother, John Olsen; sisters, Betty and Judy; two grandchildren, four great-grandchildren, and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

There will be a family memorial service at 6 p.m. today, Aug. 9, at Landmark Worship Center. A celebration of Mickie's life will be held on her birthday, Sept. 11. The time and place will be determined at a later date.

Memorials can be sent to the family through Landmark Worship Center.

The family would like to thank everyone who has played a part in Mickie's life. Your love, support and caregiving through the years means so much to the family.

# Bertha Ann Miller, 84

Bertha Ann Miller. 84, of Missoula, passed peacefully "into the presence of our Lord" on Friday, Jan. 24, 2014, at St. Patrick Hospital after a brief illness.

She was born on March 31, 1929, in Mandan, N.D., to Jacob and Julia Schlosser. She grew up on the family farm. After high school she attended beauty school along with her sister Cecelia.

Bertha moved to Missoula in 1956 where she met her one and only love, Russell J. Miller Sr. Bertha and Russell were married on Nov. 9, 1960. Their life together was cut short when Russell passed away due to cancer on Feb. 17, 1965. Russell had a son, Russell J.

Miller Jr., whom Bertha loved and raised as her own.

Bertha worked at a couple of beauty

shops before purchasing Fashion Beauty Shop, along with two partners. She loved her work and considered her customers to be her friends; some of whom she became very close with. She retired from her shop in 1986, but continued to travel to her customers' homes to do their hair until the last one passed away.

She enjoyed fishing, camping, growing flowers, reading, sewing, search word puzzle books and, of course, her cus-

tomers. She was loved by all that knew her and will be deeply missed.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Jacob and Julia Schlosser; her husband, Russell J. Miller Sr.; brothers, Jacob Schlosser, John Schlosser and Ralph Schlosser; and sisters. Cecelia Barth, Eva New and Frances Vogel.

Survivors include her stepson, Russell J. Miller Jr., and wife, Brenda, of Kalispell; three grandchildren, Brandt Miller of Missoula, Derek Miller and Danielle Miller, both of Kalispell; sisters, Clementine Schmidt of Missoula, and Helen Barth of Mandan; brothers. Kenneth Schlosser of Woodville, Wash., and

Raymond Schlosser of Mandan; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Mass will be celebrated at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 1, at Christ The King Church in Missoula with Father Jeff Fleming officiating. Burial will be at Saint Mary Cemetery. Missoula.

days and socializing with Margie 'Marge' Luella (Blair) Miller, 91 going to church on Sun-

Margie "Marge" Luella

Blair) Miller, 91, passed

away on Oct. 21, 2014, in

husband and friend of 65 Marge was preceded in death in 2007 by her

her sons, Mike and Sara Marge is survived by Dan, and Randy and years, Don.

Marge was born to Carl and Olga (Olsen) Blair on from Rogers High School May 1, 1923, in Spokane. Spokane and graduated She attended school in Kalispell. in 1941

Julie; her grandsons, Jeff and Wyatt; and her great Abby, Dylan, Emma and David, Jason and Rhon da, Douglas and Chris, grandchildren, Kendal missed. She was a very Mom will be greatly caring, loving mother, Vincent.

1941. In 1955, Don, Marge

and family moved from

Spokane to Columbia

ald A. Miller on Dec. 5,

Marge married Don-

Kalispell, MT 59901; or to the organization of your A visitation for Marge grandmother, aunt and p.m. on Friday, Oct. 24 will be held from 2 to tions may be made to tana Humane Society 100 Adopt A Pet Way Memorial contribu grandmother, greatthe Northwest Mon choice. friend Don moved to Woods Bay in April 2013 and resided Kalispell. Marge moved lly and friends. During ally to Tucson, Ariz. In the winter months they there until her passing. raised their three sons, of lake living with famdy. In 1973, Marge and 2001, they moved into to Buffalo Hill Terrace enjoyed 28 great years Mike, Danny and Ranon Flathead Lake and Falls, and there they would go south, usu-

birds, picnics in Glacier the Northwest Montana enjoyed working in her lowerbeds, feeding the back roads of Flathead Mom loved animals founding members of Humane Society. She and was one of the

www.buffalohillfh.com, to leave notes of condolence for the family. Buffalo aged to visit the website Crematory is caring for Friends are encourin Kalispell

follow at the Elks Lodge

Home. A reception will

at Buffalo Hill Funeral

Home. Funeral services

will be held at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 25,

at Buffalo Hill Funeral

the family Columbia Falls and Beth Lutheran Church in member of Our Savior's Marge was an active Bigfork. Mom enjoyed Lutheran Church in

#### Raymond Lance 'Ray' Miller, 64

After a courageous eight-year battle with Alzheimer's, Raymond Lance "Ray" Miller "went to be with the Lord" on Friday, May 9, 2014. He was surrounded by the love of his life of 45 years, Randi Miller, and his three loving daughters.

He was born in Kalispell on Oct. 12, 1949, to Ken and Betty Miller. He was the second of five children. He attended Evergreen School where, in the eighth grade, he proclaimed to marry his future wife, Randi Betson. After graduating from Flathead High School in 1969, he enlisted in the U.S. Army and attended basic training at Fort Lewis, Wash. After his completion, he was ordered to serve his country in Vietnam; however before his deployment. President Nixon rerouted his battalion to be stationed on a military base located in Germany. During his three-year service. he worked as a diesel mechanic and was honorably discharged July 10,

After returning to Kalispell, he began an extensive career in various positions in the logging industry. He ended his career working 27 years for Plum Creek as a heavy equipment opera-

Ray Miller had a kind heart and was loved by many. His pride and joy were his grandchildren, Cole and Caylie Williams, Conner Thompson, Gauge and Vivian Soucie, Dylan.





McKenna and Hadley Engler. He is

survived by his wife. Randi, and his daughters, Tami and husband Scot Engler, Carla and husband Craig Wil-

liams, Cori and husband Trevor Soucie: his siblings, Roxy and Roger Smith, Reta and Jack David, Ronda and Joe Hermosillo, and Rod and Carol Miller; as well as countless other family members and friends.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Lance and Lula Claridge, and Jack and May Miller; his father, Ken Miller; his mother, Betty Miller; most recently, his cousin Doug Miller; as well as numerous uncles, aunts, nieces, nephews and a very special grandson "he met at the gates of heaven," Casey Williams.

His memorial service will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday, May 14, at Easthaven Baptist Church, located at 2010 Whitefish Stage Road. Due to Ray's love of ice cream, there will be an ice cream social following the service.

In lieu of flowers, the family request donations to the Alzheimer's Foundation of America at 322 8th Avenue, 7th floor, New York, N.Y. 10001.

#### Sandra (Ray) Mills, 69

Sandra (Ray) Mills passed away in her home on Saturday, Aug. 2, 2014, after a courageous battle with cancer.

Sandy was born the eighth child of Clifford and Margaret (Sand) Ray on Nov. 8, 1944, in Delta, Colorado. She moved to Great Falls as a small child, where she grew up and went to school.

She met the love of her life, Donald Mills, in February 1960. He was a good friend of her brother Burt. Don and Sandy were married on July 1, 1960. and welcomed their only child, Cheryl, on June 21, 1961. They moved to Columbia Falls in February 1964 where Sandy started working at the Bank of Columbia Falls in 1977, until it became First Citizens Bank, and continued to work there until 1993, and went part-time until 1998.

Don and Sandy were "snowbirds" and spent their winters in Yuma, Ariz., from 1993 to1998. In 1999, Sandy went to work full-time at the Foothills Bank in Yuma and they lived there until 2007, when they moved back to Montana to be close to their girls.

Sandy's greatest joys were spending time with her family, especially her two great-granddaughters. She enjoyed crochet-



ing, quilting and various crafts. She looked forward to the lunches she got to share with her special friends,

and loved her quiet evenings at home with her husband.

Sandy was preceded in death by her mom and dad; sisters, Delores Benson, Beverly Armstrong and Lottie Armstrong: and brothers, Donald Ray, James Ray, Virgil Ray and Edward Ray.

She is survived by her husband Don, daughter Cheryl Mills, granddaughter Jessica Warner (Loveless), and the lights of her life, great-granddaughters Kiya Wapner and Aria Calderon, all of Kalispell; sister, Doreen Lettengaryer and husband Duane of Fairfield; brothers, Burton Ray and wife Charlene of Buckeye, Ariz., Clarence Ray and wife Carol of Great Falls, and Robert Ray and wife Brenda of Laurel; and many nieces and nephews. She also had a special "furry kid," Tiny, and "granddog" Gizzy.

Instead of flowers, the family is requesting donations be made in Sandy's name to Frontier Hospice who aided Don, Bob (brother) and her girls in

caring for Sandy.

# Grover 'Bud' Miller, 77

Grover "Bud" Miller, 77. died Wednesday, March 19, 2014, at the Brendan House in Kalispell.

He is survived by his wife, Annelore "Sammi"; daughters, Christine and Laura: and son, Steven.

There will be no memorial service held at this time. Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home is caring for the family.

#### Danette Mary Mitchell, 53

Danette Mary Mitchell. 53, passed away on Jan. 6, 2014, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center after a valiant battle with cancer. She was surrounded by family and friends "as she was taken into the arms of the Lord."

She was born June 20. 1960, in Kalispell to Dan and Gail Mitchell. She attended school at St. Matthew's, Evergreen and Flathead High schools.

After high school she began work at Dr. Mike Stebbins' orthodontics practice for many years. She moved to Phoenix in 1985, to attend SST Travel School. While the travel industry didn't become a career, she did work many jobs in Arizona over the years.

In 2000, she was grateful for the opportunity to help raise her nieces. Kayla and Jenna. Her daughter Abby was born in December 2002. She moved back to Kalispell in 2004 to be close to family. Danette worked at Evergreen School District in various positions until her illness required her to leave that job.

Danette will be sorely missed by all she knew and will leave an empty spot in all the lives she touched. She was very passionate about her family, friends, children, pets and spiritual life. She was available for every celebration or family function, especially during the summers at the lake. and was always willing to help when needed.

She was preceded in death by her grandparents; her mother and her father; and stepmother, Marian.

She is survived by her daughter, Abby; brother, Scott Mitchell, wife Tina, and children, Morghan, Melissa and Mcray: brother, Joel Mitchell, and children, Kayla, Taylor and Jenna; brother. Paul Mitchell, and wife



Michelle; brother, Eric Mitchell, Jessica Mitchell and children, Willow and Joelie:

stepsister, Kim Sutton, husband Bob, and children, R.C., Krystal and Maddie; stepbrother, Rob Miller and wife Debbie: as well as all her best high school girlfriends, and many close friends and extended family.

Visitation will be held from noon to 5 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 10, at Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home and Crematory. A rosary will be said that evening at 7 p.m. at St. Matthew's Church. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 11, at St. Matthew's Catholic Church. A reception at St. Matthew's School cafeteria will immediately follow the burial at Glacier Memorial Gardens.

The family would like to express their deep thanks to Dr. John Ward, Dr. Lexi Tabor-Manaker, Dr. Laura Csaplar and Dr. Larissa Korde: as well as the multitude of nurses. medical professionals and staff that cared for Danette.

In lieu of flowers, please send donations to the Danette Mitchell Memorial Fund to be used for the care and education of her daughter, Abby. Donations may be sent c/o Paul Mitchell, 2035 Mission Way S., Kalispell, MT 59901; or c/o First Interstate Bank, 2 Main St., Kalispell, MT 59904.

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

#### Earl Otto Mitchell, 95

Earl Otto Mitchell, 95, passed away on Sept. 2, 2014.

He was born Feb. 19, 1919, in Chester, and later moved with his family to Great Falls where he graduated from Great Falls High School in 1937. After graduation he went to work for Western Airlines, which merged with Delta Airlines. He worked in the airline business for 43 years.

Earl met and married Kathryn Stewart in Great Falls on May 1, 1943.

He was transferred to Chevenne, Wyo., where their daughter Judy was born. In 1962, he was transferred to Granada Hills, Calif., and lived there until he retired to the Flathead Valley where he has been residing since. Earl was active in the Elks Club and became a life member. He and his wife enjoyed traveling abroad and in the U.S.

Earl was preceded in death by his wife of 67 years, Kay; a brother; a sister; his son, Kim Mitchell; and a grandson, Jeff Thorsen.

He is survived by his daughter, Judy Thorsen and her husband, John; his granddaughters, Janel Sharpe of Indianapolis, Ind., Kelly Hinz of Phoenix, Ariz., and Laurie Mitchell of San Clemente, Calif.; and three great-grandchildren, Marley, Nathan and Zachary.

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Thank you to Prestige Assisted Living/Expressions Memory Care and Frontier Hospice for all the wonderful care.

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

#### Jack Mitchell, 90 and Jeneece Mitchell, 87

Jack Mitchell, 90, and Jeneece Mitchell, 87, died at Lakeview Care Center in Bigfork on June 6, 2014, and June 10, 2014, respectively.

They are survived by their children, Jeanette Smith and John Mitchell.

A celebration of life will be held in the near future.

#### Keith V. Mitton, 58

Keith V. Mitton, 58, died March 21, 2014, at his Home and Crematory is Kalispell residence.

Buffalo Hill Funeral caring for the family.

# Donald O. Moats, 83

Donald O. Moats, 83, died at his Kalispell residence on July 28, 2014. He had been an automo-

bile mechanic.

He is survived by his

sons, Kevin and Dale Moats.

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

#### Daniel Morgan, 91

Daniel Morgan, 91, died April 22, 2014, at North Valley Hospital in Whitefish.

He is survived by his children, Mark Morgan, Larry Morgan and Marcia

Nevins. There are no services planned at this time.

Arrangements are entrusted to Columbia Mortuary.

Montana Grizzlies and his beloved Michigan Wolver

mother Rika Mogolis and Frank Drown, father

Mogolis and Michelle,

his loyal and amazing Gary Mogolis, and all

learned of his passion for Those who knew John family, Bigfork Vikings,

and Jennifer, sister Joani stepson LT Tony Garcia He is survived by his wife Julie, son Gunnar,

Arinson, Elsie Jones, and 43, born Jan. 28, 1971, in Kalispell, passed away John "Mogo" Mogolis, death by his grandpar He was preceded in Nov. 23, 2014, in Palm Desert, California.

# John 'Mogo' Mogolis, 43 Alvin and Virginia Mogo-

## Harold Olaf Moen, 97

Harold Olaf Moen was born March 27, 1917, in Hallock, Minn.

He died in his home Nov. 28, 2014, in Kalispell.

Harold is survived by his daughter, Joann Perrett, and son-in-law, David Wilson; daughter-in-law. Wren Moen; granddaughter, Annette, and husband, Rick Perry; and great-grandsons, Jackson, Dylan and Luke Perry. He is also survived by his brother-in-law, Dick Mooney; eight nieces, four nephews and their families.

Harold was preceded in death by his wife, Alice Moen; his son, Irvin Moen; and his four siblings and their spouses.

Harold lived in Minnesota until 1928 when the Moen family moved to Eastern Montana, north of Wolf Point. It was there that Harold began riding horses and in his words, "doing real cowboy work.

The next few years were extremely difficult. It was the Depression and a severe drought caused all crops to fail. During this harsh time, the family barely survived.

The fall of 1936, the family moved to Western Montana near Whitefish. Here Harold and his father cut timber and worked in a sawmill. Harold made 47 1/2 cents per hour and thought he was rich!

In 1942, Harold was drafted and served in the United States Army during World War II. After basic training, he was assigned to the 33rd Medical Ambulance Battalion. Harold's outfit was sent to family and his Prestige England where they were in charge of evacuation of the wounded by land, sea

and air. Harold was honorably

discharged December 1945, and a few weeks later reunited with his fiancee, Alice Sturm. They were married March 1, 1946, near Moscow, Idaho. The newlyweds lived in Portland and Edmonds. Wash., before moving to Montana in 1949. Kalispell has been home to Harold since 1950.



had an innate understanding of all things mechanical and the skill to repair them. He supported his family by

Harold

working as a mechanic and later in his career earned the title, master mechanic. During the building of Hungry Horse Dam, Harold maintained that project's heavy duty construction equipment. Throughout his career, he was employed by the Columbia Falls Aluminum Plant, the Massey Ferguson Farm Implement Company and Caterpillar, Inc. Prior to his retirement, Harold was supervisor of the Flathead County Shops.

Harold had a deep appreciation for the natural wonders of this earth. Harold and family could often be found hiking in the Rocky Mountains or picnicking near one of the many lakes near Kalispell.

Harold's great joys were his family and his faith. He committed his life to God in the early 1930s and never waivered in either belief or service. He was an elder and in his words, "We had the wonderful privilege of having fellowship meeting in our home for over 40 years."

Harold passed away in his apartment at Prestige Assisted Living, surrounded by the love of his caregivers.

Harold's family sends a special thank you to hospice for their care and

compassion.

Visitation for Harold will be held from 3 to 5 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 7. at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home. Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 8, at the Fairgrounds Expo Building

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

#### Joseph V. Montalban, 89

Joseph V. Montalban of Cut Bank and Whitefish, passed away peacefully on Good Friday, April 18, 2014, in Kalispell after suffering a massive stroke.

The vigil and funeral Mass will be held at St. Margaret Catholic Church of Cut Bank. The vigil is scheduled for 7 p.m. Thursday, April 24. Mass will take place at 10:30 a.m. Friday, April 25. Lunch will follow at Cut Bank Golf and Country

Joe was born to Evelina M. (Usigli) Montalban and Joseph Victor Montalban on June 17, 1924, in Souke, British Columbia, Canada. His birth certificate states that his full name was Guiseppe Vittorio Guido Armano Montalban. As a little guy his nickname was "Vivi." pronounced vee vee! This may have started his love for giving everyone nick-

Joe's older sister, Niva, told stories of how Joe and his brother Ludwig "Monte" charmed every person they met. The family moved from Vancouver to Toronto when Joe

Joe joined the Canadian Navy in December 1942, at the age of 18 1/2 and served until December 1945, a few months after the war was over.

Joe was proud of the time he spent in service to his country, particularly his participation in an operation, "Murmansk Run." His ship was part of an escort providing protection from the German U-boat wolf packs that preyed upon convoys of merchant ships carrying arms and materials across the North Atlantic, around Norway, to Murmansk, Russia. The Murmansk Run was perilous duty but vital to the war effort and continued from 1942 through 1945. Joe loved to tell about his and his buddies' extracurricular activities, escapades and adventures in ports of call all around the world; and they were wild! After all, they were a bunch of young sailors!





They made their home in Cut Bank, which remained their primary residence during their 43-year marriage. Joe and Cora Belle loved to relax at "The Lago," their home on Whitefish Lake, and in later years they escaped the harshest winter months to Palm Springs. Joe was the original sun-lover and always enjoyed basking in the sun.

Two things ran through the blood of J.V.M. — his Italian heritage and oil. He started his extensive oil career as a roughneck in Alberta in the late '40s. He worked for Flank Oil in Southern Alberta and Montana. In the mid-'50s, he moved to Billings with Flank Oil. He ventured out on his own to start Montalban Drilling and Montalban Oil and Gas Operations.

Joe's work ethic and business instincts led to early success. During this time he drilled more Devonian deep test wells than any other company. Joe's first public company, Mountain States Resources, was registered on the Vancouver Exchange in 1972. He started Monte Grande Exploration in 1975. The two companies were merged into MSR Exploration, which was traded on the Toronto Stock Exchange and the American Stock Exchange. Joe was the first person in Montana to start a publicly traded company. The company operated wells in Montana, North Dakota, Utah, Arizona, Texas and Alberta.

match his record collection. His favorite music was classical. His favorite artist was Frank Sinatra. How very appropriate he was singing Frank Sinatra in the last waking moments of his life. Frank Sinatra's song, "I Did it My Way," defined Joe's life. He loved to dance, but only if it involved an embrace.

A voracious reader, Joe stayed current on politics and business but he never read for pleasure. He told his children, "Sleeping is a waste of time and reading fiction a waste of

brain power."

Joe loved flowers. A trip to the grocery store wasn't complete unless he had purchased a few bouquets. It wasn't uncommon for him to lavish everyone in the office with beautiful, fresh flowers. He showed his devotion to his mother Evelina by sending flowers every Monday.

Joe was an excellent pilot. Flying a small plane in the peace of the clouds was one of the few times he allowed himself the luxury of living complete-

ly in the moment. Joe is survived by his wife, Cora Belle; his sister, Niva and Julian Rowan; his children, Tamara "Tammy" and Kelly Hall of Bozeman. Vallia and Bruce Young of pel.com. Hope, British Columbia, Canada, Kelly "Shane" Montalban of Vancouver, British Columbia. Canada, Patrick and Toni Montalban of Cut Bank; and Cora Belle's children, Shelley Larson of Denver, and Richard and Margret Larson of Durango, Colo. He is also survived by his grandchildren, Tera Hall, Tiffani and Shane Coleman, Troy and Sandy Hall, Taylor Young, Brandon Young, Katie Young, Stephanie Montalban, Cora Montalban, Joy and Jack Giovanini, Halley and Ian McDonald, Joseph P. Montalban, Victoria L. Montalban, Jason P.

Dowdy and Katie, Alison M. Harris and Darren. Henry W.L. Larson, and Claire E. Larson; and great-grandchildren, Christian and Jason Coleman, Corbin and Elizabeth Young, Cooper and Lena Giovanini, Eva McDonald, Reagan and MacKenzie Dowdy and Kelston, Kennedy, Hadley and Addison Harris.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Evelina and Joseph Montalban; his brother, Ludwig "Monte" Montalban; his son, J. Cody Montalban: granddaughter, Molly Montalban; and his first wife, Kathleen Dwan Montalban Litzenberger.

He was a lifelong member of the Northern Montana Oil and Gas Association, IPAA, founding member of the Billings Petroleum Club, and also belonged to the Elks and the Moose.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in Joe's memory to: Alpine Theater Project in Whitefish. Kidpacks food program in Cut Bank or West Mont Group Homes in Helena.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Whitted Funeral Chapel in Cut Bank. Please visit Joe's online memorial and leave a message of condolence for the family at www.whittedfuneralcha-

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Joseph V. Montalban Cont

When Joe returned to Toronto from the war, he fell in love with "his wild Irish Rose," Kathleen Dwan. They eloped to Cody, Wyo. Katie and Joe spent their early married years in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada where four of their five children, Cody, Tamara, Vallia and Shane, were born. Their fifth child, Patrick, was born in Billings. Katie and Joe were passionate, energetic individuals.

Joe married Cora Belle Dilley Larson (mother of Shelley and Richard) on

During this time he ran the only company that produced natural gas from the Rocky Mountain Front. He sold MSR in 1999 to Quicksilver Resources from Fort Worth, Texas. In 2001, he started Mountainview Energy (MVW) with his son Patrick. Joe officially retired in 2006, but stayed active, operating his private oil company Montalban Oil and Gas Operation through this period of time.

Joe never grew tired of the oil business. He spent his final years visiting the office and reading his mail. He delighted in hearing about MVW drilling successes in the Bakken/Three Forks horizontal wells in North Dakota.

Joe was a lover of music, from 78s to LPs, June 4, 1971, in Las Vegas. no one in Billings could

#### Donna I. Mood, 80

Donna I. Mood, 80, of Fortine, died in Kalispell on May 28, 2014. Home and Crematory is No services are planned caring for the family.

at this time. Buffalo Hill Funeral

#### Robert Eugene Moon Sr., 89

Robert Eugene Moon Sr., a longtime resident of Kalispell, passed away following a short illness, on March 19, 2014, in Prescott, Ariz.

Robert was born June 8, 1924 in San Francisco to Virginia and Ben Moon. He moved to Iowa as a child and there met his wife of 70 years, Stella Mae DeAngelo.

Robert served in the U.S. Army and Air Force during World War II and the Korean conflict.

Robert and Stella retired and moved to Kalispell in



1982 where he enjoyed gardening and bowling.

Robert

was preceded in death by his wife. Stella: his parents, Virginia and Ben; his daughter, Sharon K. (Moon) Miller; and a granddaughter, Mandi Miller.

He is survived by two sons, Gary who resides in Bigfork, and Robert Jr. who lives in Arizona; seven grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren.

#### Jean (Heller) Moore, 87

Jean Moore (née Heller) died peacefully at her residence at The Springs in Whitefish on Nov. 8, 2014. She was 87 years old at the time of her passing.

Jean is survived by her five children, David, Kenneth, Susan, Richard and Steven.

Jean was born on Jan. 24 1927, in Cincinnati, Ohio, to Frank Heller and Gertrude Heller (Rousch). She graduated from Walnut Hills High School and proceeded to graduate from the University of Cincinnati with a degree in fine arts. She was a leading member of her sorority chapter — Kappa Kappa Gamma — and continued her participation for many years after her college career.

Jean married James Moore in 1949 and together they moved to Madison, Wis. She spent many years as a Cub Scout den mother, Girl Scout den mother and PTA member as her children grew up. She was an accomplished artist and pursued her love of painting whenever and wherever time permitted. After her children were mostly grown to adulthood, she returned to college to hone her skills with new media and subsequently became a leading graphic artist for American TV in Madison, for whom she worked until her retirement in 2008 at the age of 82.

Upon retirement she moved to Whitefish to be near family where she



settled into The Springs assisted living facility. She lived at The Springs proudly and independently until

her passing.

A memorial service will be held for Jean at 1:30 p.m. on Nov. 20 at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home in Kalispell. Father Ken Fortnev of St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church will preside over the services. Burial will be held at St. George's Catholic Church Cemetery in Scottsville, Va. Friends and relatives are welcome to attend.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church of Whitefish, or to a charity of one's choosing that benefits Native Americans.

Jean's family would like to thank the staff at The Springs in Whitefish, MT who provided a caring and nurturing environment within which Jean flourished and found friendship, freedom, and a level of independence that kept her young.

We will miss you deeply and forever, Mom, though we know you are always within us.

Friends are encouraged to visit our website at www.buffalohillfh.com to leave notes of condolences for the family, Buffalo Hill Funeral Home and Crematory caring for the family.

#### Kathrynn Mildred Moran, 92

Kathrynn Mildred Moran, born to Lee and Gladys Ridenour on Oct. 10, 1921, passed away at the age of 92, July 7, 2014, at 6:30 a.m. at the Brendan House in Kalispell.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Edwin N. Moran; her two sisters. Fern and Pauline; and two brothers, Jerry and Harold.

She is survived by two sisters. Ruth Mankin and Rosalie Patton; one brother, Michael Ridenour: and her two children, Kreg Vergith and

Kathy Koralewski. She also has three grandchildren, Matthew, Laurie and Jillian Koralewski, five great-grandchildren, Megan, Tyler, Sirreal, Sylas and Emerson; and many nieces and nephews, and old friends.

An urnside service will be at 11 a.m. on July 18 at Mount Pisgah Cemetery in Gillette, Wyo., where she will lie in rest next to her husband, Edwin Moran:

Arrangements are entrusted to Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home.

#### Jonianita Morelli, 52

Jonianita Morelli, 52, of Kalispell, died March 29, 2014. Services will be held at 4:30 p.m. Friday, April 4, at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home.

#### Les Morgan, 71

Les Morgan, 71, passed away on Thursday, Sept. 18, 2014, at his residence in Dayton.

He was born on June 15, 1943, in Seattle, the son of Leonard O. and Norma (Bjerke) Morgan.

He was raised on a farm in Outlook; Montana, where he attended school and graduated from Outlook High School in 1963. Following high school, Les joined the Army Reserve and served on active duty for 5 months and returned to Reserve status and served until being honorably discharged in 1969. He was very proud to serve his country. In 1966, he moved to the Mission Valley. He then began working on the S.S. Hodge at 22 years old and in 1971, he purchased the S.S. Hodge with his brother Dale. Les developed a very successful construction company on Flathead Lake. He was dedicated to his work and his family. Anybody who dealt with Les knew they were dealing with someone with integrity and professionalism.

In his early years, he enjoyed stock car racing. Les Morgan raced, built and sponsored race cars in the Mission Valley. Another hobby Les had was playing pool in a league and in his automotive shop. Les was also





big fan of Paul Harvey.

Les loved his family and was always willing to help. He had a very close relationship with his brother Dale, and

they were partners in the beginning of Hodge's Marine Construction. Les is loved by all of his children and grandchildren who already miss him.

Les was preceded in death by his parents, Norma and Leonard; and his brother, Dale.

He is survived by his children, Howard, Robbie, Fred, Heidi and Anita; numerous grandchildren; and his brothers and sisters, Sheryl, Cliff, Wes, Lee and Ron; as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

A celebration of Les' life will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, Sept. 25 at Grogan Funeral Home.

This is how Les would like it to end, "Paul Harvey ... good day."

Arrangements are under the direction of Grogan Funeral Home and Crematory, Memories and condolences may be sent to the family at www.groganfuneralhome.com.

## Helen May Morris, 97

Helen May Morris, 97, passed away Oct. 15, 2014, at her home in Whitefish, of natural causes.

Helen was born Nov. 24, 1916, in Whitefish to the Belvederes who died in the flu epidemic when she was 2 years old. She was adopted by Obie and Pearlie Clark and grew up in Whitefish.

Helen met her husband. David Morris, when she was 8 and he was 12; they married on their shared birthday, Nov. 24, 1935, when she was 19. They had three children and were happily married for 73 years. David preceded her in death at 96 years of age in 2008. Their love for and devotion to each other was evident in everything they did. Their lives touched the lives of many people in countless ways.

Helen was very active in her home, community and church. She enjoyed gardening, photography. record keeping, baking and feeding people. Her home was continually open to friends and family. She was famous for selling cookies to her grandchildren for kisses. Helen worked ceaselessly and enjoyed her work. She was gifted in hospitality and partnering with her husband to excel at all the endeavors they took on. Their various livelihoods were logging, ranching, farming, outfitting in the Bob Marshall Wilderness, heavy equipment construction



and snow removal. They were pioneers in the Sheriff Posse, O-Mok-See, the Whitefish Saddle

Club, the Back Country Horsemen, among other activities. In 2013 Helen had the honor of being the last First Lady of Whitefish.

Helen lived well, loved well; she lived fully and generously and she will be greatly missed.

Helen is survived by her daughter, Marie Morris Hedman, of Kalispell; son, Robert Morris, of Whitefish; grandchildren, Doug and wife Kathy

Hedman of Washington, Dale and wife Annette Hedman of California, Dave and wife Wendy Morris, Mark and wife Sherilyn Morris, Darcy Morris of Whitefish, Yvette and husband Bruce Holler of the U.S. Army; great-grandchildren, Jason, Mandie. Jenna, Daniel, Paige, Casey, Cody, Wyatt, Jessica, Clayton and Courtney; great-greatgrandchildren, Isabel. Alexis, Addison, Raylena, Serena, Deacon, Analee, Veronica and Stetson: and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

A burial service will be at 10 a.m. Friday, Oct. 24, at Glacier Memorial Gardens Cemetery. The memorial service will follow at 11:30 a.m. at First Baptist Church of Whitefish.

Austin Funeral Home is taking care of the arrangements.

#### Patricia A. Morris, 71

Patricia A. Morris, 71, passed away on Sunday, July 20, 2014, amongst her loving family.

Patty was born April 19, 1943, In Greenville, S.C., to Eddie Lee and Lillian Crumley. At 2 years of age the family moved to Halfmoon. She went to school in Columbia Falls.

On Sept. 24, 1960, she married Robert Morris in Whitefish. They had four children and were married for 53 wonderful years.

Patty was very active raising her family. She was a Scout leader, organized cookie sales, planned three-day open horse shows, a secretary for the saddle club. helped at Bible camp, led Bible studies, helped in the office at First Baptist Church of Whitefish. helped with youth group (opened her home to kids and Bible studies), helped with youth group activities, did volunteer work for the Family Friend Program, and guided hunters for her father-in-law into the Silvertip of the Bob Marshall Wilderness.

Patty is survived by her husband, Bob, of Whitefish; son, David Lee, and wife Wendy Morris, of Whitefish; son, Mark, and wife Sherilyn Morris, of



Whitefish; daughter, Darcy Morris, of Whitefish; daughter, Yvette, and husband Bruce Hol-

ler, of Rice Lake, Wis.; grandchildren, Casey Morris and Skip Schroeder, Cody and Elizabeth Morris, Jessica Holler, Clayton and Amanda Holler, Courtney Holler, Wyatt Morris and Tim Johnson; and great-grandchildren, Isabell and Alexis Johnson, Addy Morris, Veronica Holler and Stetson Morris.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Eddy Lee and Lillian Crumley; brother, David Crumley; father-in-law, David W. Morris; and sonin-law, Darryl Frey,

Burial services are being held at 11 a.m. today, July 23, at Glacier Memorial Gardens Cemetery. All are welcome. A memorial service will follow at 12:30 p.m. at the First Baptist Church of Whitefish, with a luncheon afterward.

Austin Funeral home of Whitefish have been entrusted with the arrangements.

#### Janet Hughes Morrow, 82

Janet Hughes Morrow passed away peacefully at her home in Kalispell on Saturday, Feb. 8, 2014, at the age of 82 years young, after a long and brave battle with brain cancer. She spent her last day with her daughter and son, and the wonderful caregivers who had helped make her transition comfortable and soft.

She was born at Evanston Hospital on Aug. 25, 1931, in Evanston, Ill., to Albert R. Hughes Sr. and Helen A. Hughes of nearby Winnetka, a suburb of Chicago. She attended Winnetka public schools, including New Trier High School. Prior to graduating high school, her father was transferred 1994, and loved their time to New York in 1949, and they lived in the town of Bronxville, N.Y. Janet graduated from the Mary Burnham School for Girls in Northampton, Mass., followed by Bradford Junior College in Haverhill, Mass. She then made her way back to the Chicago area, graduating from Northwestern University in Evanston with a Bachelor of Science in English literature.

She married the funny and brilliant Thomas W., ful place. Malone of Bronxville on May 21, 1955, and had two wonderful children while living in the town of Pleasantville, N.Y. She was always drawn to working and trying to make things better. She was the president of the Junior League of North Westchester County for an unprecedented three years and had many accomplishments to her credit. Tom, an advertising executive, was transferred to Chicago in 1969, and back she went to familiar territory.





Chicago community through such outlets as the Civic Opera House, the Art Institute of Chicago and many others. Together through Dick's work at Amoco, they trav-

eled around the globe seeing much of the beauty as well as some of the tragedy that our blue orb has to offer. Janet and Dick enjoyed a second home in Bigfork since in the valley. However, they divorced in 2004, and Janet moved to Montana full time to be near her two (again, wonderful) kids and her grandkids.

Here in the valley, she was tireless in her efforts to support, invest in and occasionally help guide entrepreneurial endeavors, especially those relating to green energy technologies. She wanted to do what she could to help bring jobs to this beauti-

She believed that instead of us being human beings here for a spiritual experience, we are instead spiritual beings here for a human experience. Her search for personal spiritual fulfillment as well as her desire to find answers to complex existential questions never ceased. We wouldn't doubt that she now has many more answers than questions, but wherever she may be, she will be looking for

ways to make it better for

all.

Her desire to find work of value drove her to help found and become executive director of TRUST (To Reshape Urban Systems Together), a notfor-profit, non-partisan organization that served as a catalyst for crossinterest group communication (neighborhoods/ corporations/politicians) and cooperative problem solving focused on public policy issues to revitalize communities. She headed TRUST for 14 years. Her civic appointments. awards and citations are too numerous to list here but a few of them are: Appointed to Chicago's Mayor Washington's Task Force to develop an Ethics Ordinance; appointed vice chair of his Board of Ethics; appointed by Governor Thompson to serve on the Enterprise Zone Task Force; the Board of Directors of the City Club of Chicago; and on and on. "She was flipping awesome!"

She and her husband Tom (who passed away in 1997) divorced in 1976. Some years later as a member of the Economic Club of Chicago, she met Richard M. Morrow, the then-chairman and CEO of Amoco Oil (and one of the world's great guys!). They were married on June 15, 1985, and were both very active in the

She is survived by her daughter, Wendy Malone Madison and her husband, Gary, and their children, Michael and Cassidy; her son, Andrew Hughes Malone; her big brother, Albert "Bud" Hughes Jr. and his four (almost as wonderful) children; as well as many, many friends.

She never stopped learning. She never stopped teaching. She never stopped seeking. She cared, she tried. She was our Mom and our Gramma and we loved her!

A celebration of life gathering is planned for 3 p.m. on Friday, March 21 at the BruMar Estate in Bigfork.

In lieu of flowers, she requested that donations go to either Montana PBS (800) 426-8243, or Citizens for a Better Flathead (406) 756-8993.

Chicago donations: Good News Partners, 1600 W. Jonquil Terrace, Chicago, IL 60626, (773) 764-4998.

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

# Theresa 'Teri' Marie Moses, 71

Theresa "Teri" Marie Moses (née Schroeder) died peacefully in her sleep after an unexpected illness on Feb. 14, 2014.

"How befitting for our Lord to call home our beloved Teri on the day of love." If you had the privilege of knowing Teri, then you know the immense void her passing is also survived by her has created. "While we know she is now with our Savior Jesus and we will meet again," our hearts will continue to mourn for her endearing pres-

Teri was born in Jordan on Oct. 6, 1942, to Dorothy (Bernhard) Meyers and Gordon Schroeder and raised in Roundup. Her stunning white blond locks and bright blue eyes gave away her Norwegian heritage, but it was her genuine smile that everyone will remember.

In 1960, Teri married the love of her life, the wild and talented Jim Moses; together they raised five incredible children on the Rocky Mountain Front in the Flathead Valley. Jim and Teri had just celebrated 54 years of marriage this past Janu-

Teri had a zest for life, a great sense of humor and an unconditional devotion to family and friends. When she was not tending to others, she could be found in her mountain garden or listening to music. She was rarely without a book in hand and even gave over to the new technology of a Kindle Reader. She was an accomplished electric bass player and relished her time performing and singing in the family band. Teri also had extra special affection for the students and faculty of Swan River School where she worked for 31 years as library/teacher's aide; she never declined a chance to assist with other various children's programs.

Teri is survived by her husband, Jim; their son T.J. Moses, and Kiki; their daughters, Jolinda



Lehman and Mark, Norma Jones and Lubert, Lorna Hopkins and Bill and Rhonda

Moses and Rans; and stepson, Cole Moses. She mother, Dorothy Meyers; her brothers, Jerry Schroeder and Sheryl, Butch Schroeder and Janet, and Pat Schroeder and Chris; and her sisters, Sharon Carey, Jackie Lindsay and Wes, and Kristi Lode and Don.

She was preceded in death by her father, Gordon Schroeder; her youngest brother, Chip Ross; and a granddaughter, Tessa Moses.

She was so proud of her 11 wonderful grandchildren and nine greatgrandchildren. Teri also leaves behind numerous loving relatives and friends.

The family wishes to thank all those who gave support, love and continued friendship throughout her life and during her illness.

Family and friends are invited to celebrate Teri's life at 2 p.m. this Sunday, Feb. 23, at the Swan River Community Hall. Please bring any food items you would like to share for the potluck luncheon.

# Michael Moschetti, 52

Michael Moschetti was born on Dec. 29, 1961.

He passed peacefully on Dec. 12, 2014. He was 52 years old. True to Mike's personal style, his final hours were spent joking with medical personnel, chatting with family, thinking about work and bargaining with God to look over his family. He loved his family. His heart beat faster when his he discussed the merits of his dog Bucky, his parrot Snickers, his stray kitty cat Miss Kitty, John Deere and the Denver Broncos.

Mike's back straightened and chest puffed out when he heard the "Star Spangled Banner" or the "Marine Corps Hymn" (Semper Fi, brother.) and his eyes looked off in the distance when the "Dark Side of the Moon" was

played.

Always an interested observer of politics, particularly what the process does to its participants, he was amused by politicians' outrage when challenged with the truth and amazed at what the voters would tolerate.

Mike's handshake was his contract — honor and integrity were more important to him than the bottom line. He loved to hear jokes, especially short ones with a little spice. You always knew what Mike was thinking much to the dismay of his friends and family. Mike stated many times he was often wrong, but never in doubt. When his family was asked what they remembered about Mike they fondly recalled how he loved his family with his full heart.

Over the course of a lifetime Mike worked at Main Street Exxon in Kalispell, as a helicopter crew chief in the United States Marine Corps and for 29 years at American Airlines. Each job



allowed him to meet, serve and encounter friendships that he held dearly ·throughout

his life.

Mike loved to have his family gathered around. His clan was by no means limited to his biological family. Many other people "adopted" Mike and included him as an honored member of their families. These extended families and their children's children are too numerous to name, but all will miss Mike greatly. Mike was a builder of persons.

Mike truly had a pure heart, he was loved very much and is now physically gone away from us. Words fail to express how deeply he will be missed. He has left each us many wonderful moments. Cling to those memories; they can serve as salve for your hurts and balm for your heartfelt pains. They will help to get you through today, tomorrow and the many tomorrows to come. And so can God. Rest on Him. Lean on His people. With time, all sorrows fade, but memories grow dearer.

Mike is survived by his family, Roxy and Illona Moschetti, Harlan and Linda Bruns, Nick Moschetti, Kelly Murphy, Mary Moschetti-Lantz, Camelia Naranjo and many other family members including uncles, aunts, nephews and nieces. He cherished each.

In lieu of flowers, Mike asked that you make a sizable purchase at your local pizzeria and enjoy it to the last slice and that you would perform an unexpected and unsolicited act of kindness for an unfortunate soul in his name.

#### Richard F. P. Mullee, 77

to Kalispell Montana,

to raise their family in

Richard F. P. Mullee, 77, of Kalispell, passed away on Sunday, Oct. 19, 2014.

He was born Oct. 18, 1937, in Minneapolis.

His service in the Air Force took him to England, Scotland and finally San Diego, where he met and married the love of his life, Mary Eggleston. They moved









1974. He retired from long haul truck driving and enjoyed teaching CDL classes at Flathead Valley Community College. Richard enjoyed hunting and fishing. He was loved by many and enjoyed sharing his time with friends, family and his three dogs Oscar, Alaska and Scout.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Mary; and survived by his sister, Deslee Bell of

Terre Haute, Ind., and his six children, Debbie Principe of Jamul, Calif., Tamra Broussard of San Diego, Mark Mullee of Kalispell, Therese Mullee of Pheonix, Laura Jobmann of Tacoma, Wash., and Angela Mullee of San Diego: In addition to 15 grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

#### Grace Lucille Mullen, 91

Grace Lucille Mullen passed away Wednesday morning, May 7, 2014, in a Butte nursing home.

She was born Dec. 13, 1922, in Philadelphia to John and Agnes (Grisbacher) Esslinger and attended schools in Philadelphia.

She graduated from Hallahan High School, and on Feb. 6, 1942, she married Brooklyn, N.Y., native Leo E. Mullen in Brawley. Calif. They traveled extensively with his career in the United States Navy, as well as after retirement.

Grace enjoyed gardening, both vegetables and flowers, as well as flower arranging. She enjoyed ceramics and she and Leo love dancing and playing cribbage. Together they volunteered their time in countless ways, including teaching children to read and taking several foster children into their home. She was active in several lodges including the Daughters of Isabella as well as the Does.

Besides her parents, Grace was preceded in



death by three brothers and seven sisters.

She is survived by her

husband. Leo E. Mullen, of Butte; daughters and son-in-law, Judith Mullen of Hawaii, Teresa Dunn of Whitefish and Barbara and Wally Lindquist of Butte, Grandchildren include Erin Wood, Ryan Dunn, Sarah Clark and Kelsev Allen. Also surviving are her great-grandchildren, Parker. Camden and Saffron: as well as her very dear friends, Susan Moyer and Shannon Montgomery and her foster baby, Bobby.

Cremation has taken place and no local services are planned. Interment of ashes will take place in Hawaii. Memorials in her memory may be made to Alzheimer's Association or to a charity of the donor's choice.

Wayrynen-Richards Funeral Home is Butte is handling arrangements.

# Wayne Charles Mumford, 99

Wayne Charles Mumford, 99, died at Immanuel Lutheran Home on Aug. 9, 2014.

He had been a timber faller.

He is survived by his children, Ronald,

Sharon and Robert Mumford, and Janice Lamont.

A celebration of life for is pending.

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

#### Larron A. 'Ron' Mundahl, 75

Larron A. "Ron" Mundahl, 75, beloved husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather, of St. Paul, Minn., died Jan. 1, 2014, surrounded by his family.

He was a member of Immanuel Lutheran Church in St. Paul for 57 years, and a seasonal member of Northridge Lutheran Church in Kalispell.

He was preceded in death by his sister, Rhodine Jensen.

He is survived by his loving wife of 58 years, Joanne: children, Cindy and Paul Bauer of Shakopee, Minn., Sandy Carlson of Kalispell, Ron Mundahl and Sue of St. Paul. and Barb Mundahl and Gregg Chandler of Eagan, Minn; grandchildren, Tim and Kathy Bauer, Katie Bauer, Travis and Sara Strohschein, Nathan Mundahl and Heather Chandler; great-grandchildren,



Owen and Piper Bauer; aunt. Dorothy Evans of Watertown, S.D.; sister, Vicki and Dave

Jorgenson; brother, David Mundahl and Barb; and sister-in-law, Colleen and Gene Dailey. He is also survived by many other loving nieces, nephews, relatives and friends.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Monday, Jan. 6 at Immanuel Lutheran Church, 104 S. Snelling Ave., in St. Paul. Visitation will be from 4 to 7 p.m. today at O'Halloran & Murphy Funeral Home, 575 S. Snelling Ave., in St. Paul, and one hour prior to services at church on Monday. Interment will be at Roselawn Cemetery.

Memorials are preferred to be given to the American Cancer Society.

#### Margaret E. Murdock, 90

Margaret E. Murdock, 90, died April 23, 2014, at her home in Whitefish.

A private family burial will take place at Glacier

Memorial Gardens. **Buffalo Hill Funeral** Home is caring for the family.

#### Dorthea E. Murray, 85

Dorthea E. Murray, 85, of Kalispell, passed away on April 28, 2014, in Eureka.

She was born in Havre to Jack and Myra Alayana on June 5, 1928.

In her early years, she attended Eureka High School. She went on to earn a degree in nursing at Sacred Heart School of Nursing in Havre.

Dorthea worked as a nurse all over Montana in Havre, Whitefish, Missoula and Glacier National Park. She spent 17 summers nursing in Glacier, where she made many lifelong friends. She enjoyed hiking, boating, swimming and traveling.

Dorthea is survived by her children, Cheri Watson and husband Kelly Watson, Scott Murray and wife Tina Murray, and Carol Murray-Duberow and husband Robin Duberow. She has five grandchildren, Katrina Elder, William Murray, Brett Murray, KC Watson and Jane Duberow. She was the great-grandmother of two great-grandchildren, Kyler Elder and Baily Elder.

Funeral services will

be held at 1 p.m. on May 23 at Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church in Eureka. Burial will follow at Eureka Cemetery.

Schnackenberg and Nelson Funeral Home has helped arrange the funeral services.

In lieu of flowers, please make memorial donations to Eureka Volunteer Ambulance Service, 103 Schagel Way, Eureka, MT 59917.

# Dorothy Dean Muzzy, 87

Dorothy Dean Muzzy passed away in Kalispell on Monday April 21, 2014, after a brief illness.

She was born Dorothy Dean Saville on Feb. 10. 1927, in Sedro-Woolley, Wash., the eldest daughter of Frank and Edith Saville. Later raised in Kelso, Wash., Dorothy excelled at academics and was honored as valedictorian of her high school graduating class. Attending Northern Montana College in Havre, Dorothy would meet and marry local resident Harold Foubert. Settling as farmers. ranchers and milk producers on the outskirts of town, Dorothy and Harold raised four children: three of them Dorothy had been moved to adopt by the Holt Adoption Program.

Retiring to Columbia Falls, Dorothy and Harold would reside there until Harold's death in 1981. Later, in 1982, Dorothy married Lloyd "Curly" Patrick of Gildford, Mont., a union that lasted until Lloyd's death in 1992. In 1996, Dorothy would meet Craig Muzzy, a Minnesota transplant to Apache Junction, Ariz. They would marry and split their time between Bigfork and Arizona for many years.

Dorothy was a longtime member of the Bigfork Bridge Club but her devotion to the game was sec-



ond to her commitment to her family and her church. A founding member of the Bigfork

Christian Church, Dorothy leaves behind many friends who will remember her kindness and sup-

port.

She is survived by her husband, Craig Muzzy, of the home; a daughter, Terry Farmer, residing with husband Jerry Farmer in Bluff City. Tenn.; a son, Michael Foubert, residing in Olathe, Kan. with partner Michael Anderson; a son. Thomas Foubert, residing in Bozeman with wife Selisa Rausch; a daughter, Lisa Foubert of Polson: granddaughter and greatgranddaughter, Devlin and Avery Foubert, both of Alaska; sister, Mary Salberg of Kelso; and sister, Barbara Wagner of Austin, Texas.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. on Saturday, April 26 at Bigfork Christian Church, 110 Shawnee Drive, in Bigfork. Pastor Mike Steenson will officiate.

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

#### Sarah J. Myers, 94

Sarah J. Myers, 94, died at her Whitefish residence on May 23, 2014.

She is survived by her children, Maureen Macaman, William "Bill" Higgins and Michael R. Higgins.

A celebration of life will be held at a later date. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for the family.

# MEMORIAL SERVICE

# Sarah Jeanne Higgins Myers

A memorial service for Sarah Jeanne Higgins Myers, 94, of Whitefish, who died May 23 will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, June 28, at All Saints Episcopal Church, 2048 Conn Road. A picnic will follow at her home at 711 Colorado Ave.