

Glenn David Haas, 30

Glenn David Haas, "a child of God, was received in the arms of our heavenly Father" on July 19, 2017. He will be greatly missed here.

He was born Oct. 20, 1986, in Upland, California. Glenn was 1 ½ years old when the family moved to Kalispell. Arriving on July 4, 1988, Glenn and his older brother Stephen, arriving by plane, were welcomed with a burst of fireworks thinking they were a personal welcome to Montana.

Glenn was involved with academic sports, community sports and numerous outdoor sports. There was not a sport he did not excel in, but baseball had his heart. He attended Concordia University, Irvine, California, where he graduated with honors and a bachelor's degree in finance. He worked in finance right out of college, moved into petrochemical sales, and then worked for 2M Company.

Glenn was dearly loved by so many and will be



missed greatly as well. He gave more than he ever received. His huge heart

shined through before he ever said a word. No matter the circumstances, he would be there for you. Christ shined on him and through him.

"Spiritually 'Glenn' means God created in you an overly-sensitive nature which causes you to sense and feel far more than you can understand or put into words." — Sharan Baracker

The smile and warmth Glenn gave so freely and instilled in all of us will be missed. We all miss you and love you Glenn.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, July 26, at Fresh Life Church, the Liberty Theater, Kalispell. The address to the Liberty Theater is 120 First Ave. E. A reception at Museum Park will follow after the service.

Maripat Hagen, 80

Maripat Nerlin Hagen, of Billings, passed away peacefully after a short illness April 10, 2017, surrounded by her family.

Maripat was born to Andy and Flo Nerlin, March 15, 1937, in a log home with no electricity on Poverty Flat Road of rural Joliet. There, she and her siblings wandered the nearby hills playing Cowboys and Indians, helping their dad with farm chores, swimming in Elbow Creek and making monthly family trips to Billings where she would search for the latest pop tune to learn on the family piano.

Her mother was a former school teacher and she taught all of her children to read and write at a very early age, thus Maripat skipped first grade and entered second grade at the nearby country school.

She graduated from Fromberg High School, Class of 1954. That summer she entered Eastern Montana College to pursue an elementary teaching degree. While attending college she met Kerel Hagen and they were married June 5, 1955, in Billings.

She began her teaching career at Huntley Project with stops in Wolf Point, Cayuse Prairie, Martin City, Olney and Columbia Falls, teaching fourth graders at Glacier Gateway. Maripat retired from teaching in 2001.

She was an exceptional seamstress — she made many loud and vibrant sport coats for Kerel to wear to school, and matching dresses for herself and her daughters to wear on Easter Sunday.



capacities and with her friends she would criss-cross the state attending many meetings and

seeing friends.

During retirement, she took up the hobby of genealogy and found a few of her long lost roots. She assisted her sister, Val, with a couple of family history books for the next generations to enjoy.

She and Kerel raised their family at the base of Columbia Mountain with values of hard work and to ride horses in the backcountry. They are Mark and Beth Hagen, Joliet; Keith Hagen, Billings; Ladona and Wes Fopma, Sioux Center, Iowa, and Karla Hagen, Centennial, Colorado.

She is also survived by her grandchildren, Kevin Fopma, Centennial; Kyle Fopma, Sioux Center; and Taylor Hagen, Billings; and her siblings, Junior Nerlin, Joliet; Val and Joe Hillers, Coupeville, Washington; Lynn and Duane Whitmer, Cody, Wyoming; and Jim and Peggy Nerlin, Denver; and newly found sister, Shirley Schilleriff, Federal Way, Washington; and her in-laws, Deloris Nerlin, Bozeman, Dean and Clariss Hagen, and Norman and Mary Ann Hagen, all of Columbia Falls. She will also be missed by many nieces, nephews, teaching colleagues and numerous friends across Montana.

Those gone before her are her parents, Andy and Flo Nerlin; her hus-

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She became a remarkable and gifted musician. She started taking piano lessons at an early age; but she preferred to teach herself how to play by ear. She could listen to a tune on the radio and play her own lively rendition impeccably well on her first try.

She was born into a family that loved and appreciated the Masonic traditions. As a young girl, she joined the Order of Rainbow for Girls and continued her love for the Masonic Order with memberships in the Order of Eastern Star and the Billings chapter of the Daughters of the Nile. She served in many

band, Kerel Hagen (1985); her brother, Dale Nerlin (2014); her mother-in-law, Ella Hagen Jensen and her in-laws Karen Nerlin, Evie Nerlin, Inez and Guy Ault, and Chester and Phyllis Hagen.

In lieu of flowers and in her honor, memorials may be made to Cornelius Hedges Chapter No. 32, O.E.S., Norma Berry, Secretary, P. O. Box 111, Bridger, MT 59014; or Riverstone Hospice Health Center, P.O. Box 1562, Billings, MT 59103.

A celebration of life will be held at a later date.

Memories and condolences may be shared with the family at www.dahlfuneralchapel.com

June Lorell Hair, 77

On Sunday, April 9, 2017, at 1 p.m., our mom, wife, grandma and friend "went to be with Jesus."

She was born in Milnor, North Dakota, to Ed and Lydia Wilke on June 24, 1939, and raised in Hoving, North Dakota, where she helped her father in the Hoving Grain Company, a grain elevator serving the area. She was one of four sisters, Alberta, Gladys and Eunice, who have all preceded her in death.

At the age of 20 she met Jerry Croymans, a carpenter from Cut Bank who was working on a local construction project. They were married in Gwinner, North Dakota, on June 20, 1959, and moved to Cut Bank. In May of 1960, their first son, Ed, was born while living in Cut Bank. In 1962, they moved to Kalispell where Jerry found work in the construction business. In 1966, they welcomed their daughter, Angi, into the world. Later, in 1972, she and Jerry were divorced.

In August of 1973, she met and married Ken Hair of Great Falls. Ken came as a package deal with two beautiful daughters, Teresa and Debbie, which she helped raise.

In her working years, she started in Kalispell as a bartender, but really became everyone's friend and therapist for some 20 years. Noteworthy, is the fact that she never drank alcohol. Around 1986 she became a clerk at Withey's Health Food Store in Kalispell, where she made many friends while helping solve everyone's ailments. She worked there some 25 years until retirement.

She was an avid read-



er, and enjoyed rock hounding and archeology. In her later years, she enjoyed

word puzzles and watching "Criminal Minds" on TV.

What meant the most to her was her family. God answered her life's main prayer to not outlast any of her children. The love she lavished on her family was without compare, always more concerned with others than herself. One of her greatest joys was spoiling her children and grandchildren with Christmas gifts.

She was a lifelong Christian and member of the Missouri Synod Lutheran Church, joining Trinity Lutheran when moving to Kalispell in 1962. She had a very active prayer life and enjoyed her son Ed's weekly home Bible studies.

She is survived by her husband of 43 years, Ken Hair, son Ed Croymans (Julie), daughters Angi Jensen (Jack), Teresa Gregory, Deb Banzet (Mike), and grandchildren Michael (Kristina), Megan (John), Alex, Wyatt, Annie, Emma, Sara, Michael, Kenny, Kerry, Wall and Emma. Great-grandchildren include Jaxon and Kason. She is also survived by numerous nephews and nieces who were close to her heart as well.

There will be a celebration of life service at 11 a.m. on Saturday, April 15, with lunch to follow at Smith Valley Grange Hall, 2902 U.S. 2 West, Kalispell.

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Brent Hall, 76

Brent Hall, loving husband, father, grandfather, brother, business leader and philanthropist, passed away peacefully at Kalispell Regional Healthcare at the age of 76 with family by his side on the morning of March 3, 2017.



Born Oct. 21, 1940 in Great Falls to Vernon and Dorothy Hall, Brent attended high school at Great Falls High, where he excelled at wrestling, football, track and sang in the high school choir. He attended Montana State on a wrestling scholarship, where he was undefeated his first two years and was voted team captain for his senior year. Brent was a member of the Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity and, while attending a fraternity function, met his future wife, Barbara O'Neil of Kalispell. Brent earned his Bachelor of Applied Science degree in English, science and physical education in 1962 and that same year married Barbara in Kalispell. He later went on to earn his Master's degree in Health and Recreation Management from Eastern Michigan University.

A veteran, Brent served four memorable years in the Air Force's Security Services with postings in San Angelo, Texas and on the island of Crete, Greece. Hall rose to the rank of Captain and was awarded a Commendation Medal for Meritorious Service. After being honorably discharged from the Air Force the family returned to Kalispell in 1970 where Brent started working in the lumber industry as sales manager for Forest Products. He founded successful local business Tri-City Lumber in 1976 with two partners, later buying one out and ultimately selling the business to Anderson Lumber Co. of Salt Lake City. Through a succession of future owners, Brent continued to manage the operations of the lumber company

Kalispell Chamber of Commerce. Among others, a few of the roles Brent served in include: Two-term President of the Kalispell Chamber of Commerce; Board of Directors of Norwest Bank; President of Braves Boosters; School District No. 5 School Board member; FVCC Board of Trustees; member of the Board of Directors of Flathead Electric Co-op; Kalispell Regional Medical Center Board member; Tri-City Planning Board member for 9 years; Lakeside Council member; Member and Church Council Eidsvold Lutheran Church; Bobcat Advisory Board; Kalispell Wrestling Club founder and manager for 18 years; Bobcat Bash Chairman for 3 years; Bobcat Club Board member and Bobcat Volunteer of the Year 2010. Brent and Barbara were also loyal supporters of the A.L.E.R.T. program at Kalispell Regional Medical Center from its inception.

Brent, affectionately known as "DB," was a fun-loving, brutally honest and an incredibly generous man who willingly gave of his time, talent and treasure to his beloved state and community.

Hall is survived by his wife, Barbara, of Lakeside; and three children, Larik (Katherine) and grandchildren Mason, Aidan and Ava of Tokyo, Japan; Tor (Kari) and grandchildren Tanner and Taylor of San Clemente, California; and Kyrin and son Kellen of Covington, Washington. He is also survived by his siblings, Michael, Vicky, Tom, Jerry and Patrick Hall. He was preceded in death by his parents and twin brother Kent.

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until the time of his death. A zealous advocate for his people, Brent did all he could to maintain the local employee base, many of whom are still with the company and from whom he earned an unwavering and steadfast loyalty.

Brent was a tireless supporter, volunteer and champion of many community philanthropies and organizations. In 2010, he was honored to be named Businessman of the Year by the

For those wishing to make memorial gifts in Hall's name, the family suggests the following: The A.L.E.R.T. Program of Kalispell Regional Healthcare; Eidsvold Lutheran Church; and The Brent and Barbara Hall Endowed Scholarship Fund at Montana State University, Bozeman.

A memorial service will be held on Wednesday, March 8, at Northridge Lutheran Church in Kalispell.

Carolyn K. 'Gram' Hall 77

Carolyn K. Hall, "Gram," 77, passed away at home in Kalispell on Oct. 23, 2017.

She was held closely with love and support by her daughter, Margaret Hall, and granddaughter, Layla Hall.

She is also survived by her Texas family; her son, Andrew, and his wife, Kelli; her grandchildren, Kimberlee Crawford, and her husband, James; Melissa Hanna, and her husband, Chris. Spending time admiring her four great-grandchildren growing up brought a tremendous amount of joy into her life — Braden, Addison, Jarrett and Emma.

Carolyn believed "The secret to life is life, that



time is a gift, and love is all that really matters." She was grateful for the many

friendships and extended family members with whom she had developed meaningful connections.

No formal services are planned. Some of Carolyn's favorite poems and songs are shared on Facebook, as she wished.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

"Be grateful for the wonderful life you have. It is yours. Take it in your arms and love it." Love, Gram

Gordon Elee Hall, 81

Gordon Elee Hall was born in his grandpa's house on Dec. 17, 1935, to Hershel and Maybelle Hall.

He passed away March 17, 2017, due to a very tired heart.

Gordon went to Metamora High School where he was a football player who went on to play semi-pro. That is until raising children became his priority.

Gordon married Barb Hines in 1953 and had a son, Mike, and a little girl Patti. While they both loved their children they would part ways eight years later.

Gordon started out working as a laborer in construction and moved his way up to running heavy machinery out of the Operators. He was also a Teamster and a Union BA for the hotel, restaurant and bartenders Union in Kalispell.

While working for Teamsters he drove a truck for several different companies. One night while driving he stopped at a truck stop called the Circle T in Knoxville, Illinois, and fell head over heels in love with the beautiful waitress they called "Sam." Gordon married Paula Stewart "Sam" Dec. 23, 1961. They went on to have three daughters, Michelle, Kristi and Tonya. The Hall family moved to Somers (for the third and final time) in late summer of 1976.

Gordon would continue to go back to Illinois to work construction in the summers and Paula would start her 22-year career of working for the United States Postal Service. Gordon was very social minded and ran several times for political office. While never winning in politics, he did win the hearts of everyone who met him. He always had a smile and a joke to share.



Over the years all of his children married and had amazing grandchildren for

Grandpa Hall. He was a wonderful grandpa who acted like a big kid himself, much to the amusement of his grandchildren. Grandma and Grandpa Hall loved having the grandkids stay and play at their home. First in Somers, then out to Kila, and finally ending up in Hot Springs for his remaining years where he would become one of Hot Springs' larger cattle ranchers, what with his two cows.

He loved to be outside and tinker around the yard. His favorite job being mowing the lawn on his riding mower. He spent his mornings up at the Lonepine store drinking coffee and sharing stories with the guys.

Everyone who knew Gordon knows what a huge loss his passing is. He was a larger-than-life man who filled the room with his booming voice and personality. We love you, Dad, and will miss you more than you will ever imagine.

Gordon left behind his wife of 55 years, Paula; children, Mike, Rose; Patti, Eddie; Michelle, Ross; Kristi; Tonya, Jay; grandchildren Ryan; Shannon, Greg; Lindsey; Josh, Cheyenne; Eric; Jessica; Tanner; Allie; Jamie; and Justine; and great-grandchildren Macelynne, Jesselynn, Levi, Chance, Preston, Keaton, Kaiden, Hunter and Sunny.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, March 24, at Lonepine Hall in Hot Springs.

A memorial celebrating his life is planned for June 17 at the Lonepine Hall.

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Howard Duane Hamilton, 87

Howard Duane Hamilton, 87, of Whitefish, passed away Dec. 12, 2016, at his home in Whitefish surrounded by those he loved dearly.

Howard was born April 9, 1929, in Martins Ferry, Ohio, to Paul and Edna Hamilton.

He graduated from Flathead in 1947.

He enjoyed working, gold mining, camping, fishing, flying aircraft, as well as snowmobiling with his family and friends. Howard also enjoyed attending equipment auctions.

Howard met Elaine Betty Drake in Kalispell and they married on Feb. 2, 1952, in National City, California.

Howard proudly served as a U.S. Marine in



Korea and received a purple heart during his service.

After moving to Whitefish in the late '50s he owned and operated

the Whitefish Block Shop. Sixty years later he was still the active owner and operator of Hamilton Sand and Gravel.

He was a Master Mason with the Whitefish Lodge No. 64, Scottish Rite, Butte Shrine Club and a member of the Loyal Order of the Moose.

Howard was preceded in death by his wife

Elaine and his parents.

Howard is survived by Brenda Banning and husband Tom of Whitefish, Mike Hamilton and wife Judy of Columbia Falls, Julie Hamilton and husband Richard Sproul of Columbia Falls and Mark Hamilton of Columbia Falls. Howard was proud of his seven grandchildren, 16 great-grandchildren, two great-great-grandchildren. Howard is also survived by his very special companion Colleen McGillis; longtime best friends Bob Mack, Phyllis Sprunger and Jerry Wier as well as close friends and loyal employees Ron Oens and Cheryl Charlton and many other close friends.

In lieu of flowers please make donations to Home

Options Hospice or any of the veterans' organizations in the Flathead valley.

Cremation has taken place.

As his friend Bob said "I would like to think that Howard is with Elaine again, but knowing him, he has to stop and visit with old friends on the way. So she is still waiting for him."

There will be a memorial service held 11 a.m. May 13, at Christ Lutheran Church, 5150 River Lakes Parkway, Whitefish, MT 59937, with the urn to be placed after service at 3 p.m. at Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

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

Samone Hamilton, newborn

Samone Hamilton, daughter of Ethan Hamilton and Vanessa Walsten, was born and passed away Oct. 11, 2017, at North Valley Hospital in Whitefish.

"Our precious angel and anchor in heaven, Samone graced our lives so briefly but she imprinted herself in our hearts forever. Now safe in the arms of Jesus, safe on his gentle breast, sweetly her soul will rest."

Samone is survived by paternal grandparents Steve and Linda Hamilton, and maternal grandparents Craig and Linda Walsten, all of

Kalispell. She also leaves behind many aunts and uncles, Nathan Hamilton, Dominck Walsten, Tabitha and Artie Granger, Rebekka and Jon Johnston, Lucrecia and Brent Lobbestael, Sabrina and Shaun Simonson, Monicka and Lee Granger, along with many cousins. She was preceded in death by all of her great-grandparents and her uncle, Benjamin Walsten.

Services were held Oct. 13 at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Richard Duane 'Dick' Hampton, 80

Dick Hartman, 80, passed away of natural causes Sept. 21, 2017, at his home surrounded by his family and friends.

Dick was born Dec. 24, 1936, in Glendive to Richard W. and Juneta Ullman Hampton.

He attended parochial school grades one through eight and graduated from Dawson County High School in 1954.

He was preceded in death by both parents and a sister, Joanne Sharbono.

Dick is survived by his loving daughter Darcie Marie Hampton, grandson Johnathan Learn, Gary Learn of Kalispell, Dawn and Jon Werner, granddaughter Jonna Werner of Columbia Falls, two sisters, Carol and Art Sjogren of Bismarck, North Dakota, and Loreen and Tom Morris of Billings, and several nieces and nephews.

Dick worked for Montana Dakota Utilities seasonally and then Consolidated Freightways as office manager, transferring to Miles City and then to Kalispell in 1960.

In 1962 he went to work on the construction project of the building of the Plum Creek plywood operation and secured a dryer tender foreman position in the operations when it was completed.

In 1966 he began employment at Columbia Falls Aluminum Company as an electrical and mechanical coordinator and foreman in the machine and fabrication shop. After 35 years he retired from CFAC as a maintenance foreman in the machine and fabrication shop in 2001.



speed trials and old time drag racing, it never ended. He had built,

modified and owned many collector cars and street rods. Included in his collection is a '26 Model T-bucket, '32 Essex, '32 Model A coupe, '54 Ford convertible, '55 custom Chevy convertible with a Packard floor shifter/transmission, '57 Chevy hardtop, '59 Chevy hardtop and a '63 Ford Falcon named Suzie originally owned by his grandmother Marie Vervhafsselt. His greatest accomplishment was the radical customizing of an older 1938 Ford he owned in 1957; it had caught on fire shortly after he had sold it and it had never run since. He found it east of the mountains on the prairie and brought it home to rebuild from the ground up. After the restoration was finished it was featured on the cover of Hot Rod Magazine.

His travels took him to many events around the country and Canada in his cars and creations. He enjoyed the many friends and acquaintances he met at these gatherings and always looked forward to the next year when he could be reunited with them again. His greatest highlight was being instrumental in forming the Glacier Street Rod Association as well as being a charter member of the club. He was also a member of the Good Guys Auto Association, National Street Rod Association, member of the Eagles Club in Columbia

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Interests and hobbies included but were not limited to wrenching on cars, antiques, clocks, Indian artwork, license plates, model cars, balsa wood airplanes, banty chickens, kite flying and decorating his house and yard with old time stuff.

Dick was an automobile enthusiast from the invention of the wheel! From racing, being on a pit crew in the late '50s, Bonneville Salt Flats

Falls, and a member of the Moose Lodge in Kalispell.

As requested by Dick, there will be no funeral service as cremation has taken place. In his honor, a celebration of life will be scheduled next summer at the Moose Lodge in Kalispell, and his name will be engraved on the Perpetual Wall of Memory at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

Bobby 'Bob' G. Hand, 84

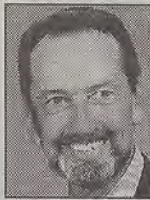
Bobby "Bob" Gene Hand passed away peacefully at home on Feb. 18, 2017. After a spirited fight he succumbed to heart failure.

Bob was born on June 6, 1932, to Verne and Angie Hand near Columbus, Kansas. Beginning as a young boy it seemed he always had a job, starting as a pin setter in a bowling alley, a bag and stock boy, a soda jerk, a movie projectionist, a life guard, an apprentice carpenter, and a TNT pourer in a bomb factory.

Bob served our country in the Army as a heavy equipment operator and then as a communications specialist in Anchorage, Alaska. It was here he met the love of his life, Esther Gabrielson, who was teaching at a local school. They married June 27, 1955, in St. James, Minnesota; they had been together for over 61 years until Esther's passing in January of this year.

He earned his Bachelor of Arts in Education of Physical Education degree at Baker University in Kansas where he also played on the basketball team. He earned his Master of Education degree at Southern Illinois University, also majoring in phys ed. He spent a sabbatical year at Stanford University in California earning graduate credits in science education.

Because of his enthusiasm for learning, Bob spent most of his professional career in the education field. He taught junior high school physical education, spelling, math and science while in California. Upon moving his family to Montana he joined the staff at Flathead Valley Community College (FVCC) and was instrumental in launching the Adult Basic Education program where he served as its director for 20 years. During this time he served in leadership positions for the Montana Adult Education Association and also as the acting dean of stu-



dents. He coached the FVCC Inter-Collegiate Women's Basketball team for a couple of years as well.

Bob was an avid sports fan and played both competitively and casually all his life. He played handball for over 20 years (as long as his knees held out) then switched his attention to golf. He held bragging rights to a hole-in-one at Buffalo Hill, and one at Village Greens as well. He closely followed his best-loved football and basketball teams, pro and college, and enjoyed cheering on his favorite pro golfers. After he and Esther retired, they were "snowbirds" as they wintered in Wickenburg, Arizona, where they played golf, volunteered at a local museum and enjoyed the sunshine. Bob loved music, spending time with his dog, reading, solving puzzles and church life.

Bob never lost his curiosity for life. He was a great listener and loved to talk to people. His open and trusting nature sometimes got the better of him but those times didn't dampen his enthusiasm. His optimism was inspiring.

He was preceded in death by his wife Esther, his parents Verne and Angie Hand, and his sister Betty Lyerla.

Bob is survived by his children, Mark G. Hand of Caldwell, Idaho, Sonja H. Border of Missoula, and Rebecca Hand-Smith of Kalispell; his grandchildren, Heather B. Grutsch and Kristen B. Patton, both of Missoula; his great-grandchildren, Grace, Brandon and Claire Grutsch of Missoula; and his sister Lynn Channer of Wichita, Kansas.

Cremation has taken place. A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, March 3, at Bethlehem Lutheran Church.

Esther G. Hand, 88

Esther Gabrielson Hand passed away peacefully on Jan. 23, 2017, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center. She succumbed to a stroke.

Esther was born on June 22, 1928, to Gabriel and Geta Gabrielson near Luverne, Minnesota. Both her mother and father had emigrated from Norway and, until her school days, Esther spoke only Norwegian. The Gabrielson family lived on a farm that her father was able to purchase after successfully mining for gold in Alaska. There is plenty of work to go around on a farm and as Esther's elder sister, Ruth, predominantly worked inside the house, Esther kept busy with outside chores with her "Pa."

Esther met the love of her life in Anchorage, Alaska. Bob Hand was stationed there with the Army and Esther was teaching at a local school. They married June 27, 1955, in St. James, Minnesota; so upon Esther's passing they had been married 61 years.

Esther earned her Bachelor of Arts in Education of Home Economics degree from St. Olaf, Minnesota. She earned master's credits in psychology on a fellowship in Southern Illinois University in Carbondale, Illinois, and a Master of Arts in Developmentally Handicapped degree from the University of Montana in Missoula.

She had a diverse work history which included county home agent in St. James, Minnesota; teacher of social studies in Anchorage, Alaska; teacher of home economics in Quinamo, Kansas; real estate agent in Los Altos, California; teacher of special education at Whitefish High School, Whitefish; teacher and special services in the Writing Lab at Flathead Valley Community College in Kalispell; and tax return preparer, H&R



Block in Kalispell.

Hobbies and interests included sewing, cooking, golf, dancing and church. She loved to read ... especially books by Dick Francis. She enjoyed learning new things through travel and she and Bob were fortunate to travel to London, Italy, Greece, Egypt, Turkey and the surrounding islands. After she and Bob retired, they were "snowbirds" as they wintered in Wickenburg, Arizona, where they played golf, volunteered at a local museum, socialized with friends and enjoyed the scenery and sunshine. Esther had a strong and special bond with her granddaughters and spent much time and contributed much love as they grew up.

Esther was generous, loving and tended to put others needs before her own. She had strong convictions and could be stubborn. She loved to laugh, had a ready smile and a positive outlook on life.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Gabriel and Geta Gabrielson; her sister, Ruth Kirby; and her brothers, Olaf Gabrielson, Garfield Gabrielson and Gabriel "Bud" Gabrielson.

Esther is survived by her husband, Bob G. Hand; her children, Mark G. Hand of Caldwell, Idaho, Sonja H. Border of Missoula, and Rebecca Hand-Smith of Kalispell; her grandchildren, Heather B. Grutsch and Kristen B. Patton, both of Missoula; and great-grandchildren Grace, Brandon and Claire Grutsch, of Missoula.

Cremation has taken place. The family has plans for a private memorial at Bethlehem Lutheran Church.

James Henry 'Hank' Handford, 80

James Henry "Hank" Handford, 80, passed away Oct. 4, 2017.

Jim was born April 24, 1937, in Ronan to Henry and Ruth Handford and moved to Kalispell with his family when he was 4 years old. He attended school at Cornelius Hedges, Central School, and graduated from Flathead County High School in 1955. He attended one semester at the University of Montana in Missoula.

In high school Jim was active in sports, making the varsity basketball team as a sophomore. He excelled in track and played football for the Braves, participating in the State Championship game in 1954.

He worked in local lumber mills, and in 1959 he met and married Mary Ellen Frost, formerly of Eureka. To this union five children were born, three of whom preceded him in death, James Brett in 1960, Orrin Henry in 1966, and Lisa Lynn in 1982.

He is survived by sons, Brad and wife Kim, and Hank and wife Christa; three grandchildren, Ashley, Alanna and Brett Handford; and one step-granddaughter, Mallory Slaten. Jim is also survived by his wife of 57 years, Mary.



Parents and siblings, Ruth, Ralph, and Beryl all preceded him in death.

Jim

was always a truck driver. He worked for Coca-Cola, B&B (later Fun Beverage), McElroy and Wilken, and LHC, Inc., retiring in 2000. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, watching kids and grandkids participate in sports, attending band concerts, and most of all, family. He enjoyed working in his backyard, planting his garden, and did extensive remodeling of the family home.

Jim was quick of wit, had a terrific sense of humor, and always enjoyed a good joke. He kept in touch with old buddies from childhood and school days, and many members of his extended family. He was loved by many, and will be missed.

Cremation and private burial have taken place, with Buffalo Hill Funeral Home attending the family.

A celebration of life will be held beginning at 4:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 12, at the Kalispell Elks Club.

To send a note of condolence to the family, please visit www.buffalo-hillfh.com.

Doris J. Handford, 84, of Kalispell, passed away Feb. 16, 2017 after a long battle with COPD. She was born July 5, 1932, in a farmhouse in New Richland, Minnesota, to Edward L. and Grace (Dyer) Anderson.

The family moved to

Montana in 1934. She attended grade school in Kalispell and Somers and graduated from Flathead County High School in 1950.



After high school she worked in the office of Mountain State's Power Co. She also

worked at First National Bank, Flathead High School Office and Haar's Menswear.

On April 11, 1953, she married Ralph A. Handford in Kalispell.

They had 43 years together before Ralph's untimely passing in 1996.

They had three sons, Michael, Bruce and Paul. She enjoyed following all of their sporting events and cheering them on. She also enjoyed spending time at Ashley Lake.

They moved to Missoula in January 1988 and upon Ralph's retirement returned to the Flathead in 1991. They spent summers at Ashley

Lake and winters in Casa Grande, Arizona. Her favorite verse was "Be ye kind, one to another, tender hearted and forgiving each other." Doris is survived by her sons, Mike, Bruce and Paul Handford; her brother, Lewis (Brenda) Anderson; brother-in-law, James (Mary) Handford; granddaughters, Mandi (Aaron) Gibbs, Shana (Brandon) Wagner, Chelsey Handford and

Doris J. Handford, 84

Grace Handford; grandson, Michael E. Handford; great-grandsons, Silas Wagner, Owen and Porter Gibbs; great-granddaughter, Reagen Hackerott; and several nieces and nephews.

Doris was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Ralph; her sisters, Donna M. (Charles) Pacheco, Phyllis L. (Allan) Clark; and infant granddaughter, Angelina Handford.

No service will be held at this time. A celebration of life will be held at a later date.

Johnson-Gloschat is caring for the family. Memorials may be sent to a charity of the donor's choice.

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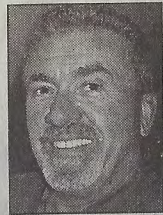
Timothy Patrick Hanlon, 66

Timothy Patrick Hanlon was born Nov. 8, 1950 — smack dab in the middle of the 20th century in North Vancouver, British Columbia.

Tim died March 12, 2017, at home in Lethbridge, Alberta, after a too brief encounter with lung cancer (non-small cell adenocarcinoma, not from smoking, just bad luck).

Tim leaves behind his devoted wife, Nicki Leighton, who was his unwavering and selfless companion and caregiver during a terrible illness. Despite his devastating diagnosis, together Tim and Nicki forged their own path through the final months of Tim's life.

He was predeceased by his parents, Marie (Lang)



and Patrick Hanlon.

Tim is survived by his son, Brendon (Jamie), and daughter, Courtney

Perry (Shane); and grandchildren, Megan, Marissa, Miya and Brock; and his four brothers, Greg (Dana), Vincent (Teresa), Larry (Barb), and Patrick; and his four sisters, Mary (David), Trish (Tom), Mary Ellen (Mehdi) and Lou (Ron); mother-in-law, Jeanne Leighton; brother-in-law, Denny (Heather); and numerous great-nieces and nephews.

Tim's career in the agricultural industry started in 1975 as a New

Holland territory manager. In 1976, he moved to Coaldale and went to work for Mustang Machinery in Lethbridge until 1978. Then he opened Orange Power in Taber, Alberta, from 1978 to 1984. In the fall of 1984, he started Hanlon Ag Centre in Lethbridge. Hanlon Ag was an Allis Chalmers and Gleaner dealer. In 1991, they took on the Hesston line, which started a new chapter for Hanlon Ag. The Hesston hay and forage line became the backbone to the success of the company. A few years later, in 1993, they acquired the Massey Ferguson line and then the Fendt line in 1999. Tim participated in and enjoyed a four-year

term as a Hesston dealer panel member representing Western Canada dealers from 1993 to 1997. He was a successful and respected businessman in the Alberta agriculture industry for over 40 years. Friendships, both personal and professional, were an essential part of his life.

His lifelong passion was expressed on the baseball diamond — as enthusiastic player, coach, manager or spectator. In his adolescent years, he was an excellent pitcher, and in his later years, he devoted many hours to slow-pitch with teammates in Surprise, Arizona, and Kalispell. During Tim's more than 20 snowbird winters, his batting average seldom

dropped below .700. He was a die-hard Yankees fan, if they were winning.

His other interests included golf, making beef jerky and sharing it, automobiles, gardening, barbecuing and having a beautiful lawn. He was a genius at remembering sports stats. Listening to music was a joy for Tim throughout his life and a consolation during his illness. Check out the YouTube video, "Just Breathe" by Willie Nelson and his son, Lucas.

Thanks to all the health care workers at the Chinook Regional Hospital and Jack Ady

Cancer Centre who cared for Tim. Tim and Nicki felt blessed by all the prayers and good wishes they received during this most difficult time.

At Tim's request, there will be no funeral or memorial service. Condolences may be forwarded to cornerstonefuneralhome.com.

If friends so desire, memorial tributes can be made directly to the www.lungcancerCanada.ca.

Tim will be loved and remembered by friends and family for his generosity, kindness, dry sense of humor ... and his prowess on the diamond.

Dorothy Jean Hanson, 75

Dorothy Jean Hanson of Mesquite, Nevada, formerly Kalispell, passed away Sunday, July 30, 2017 in Missoula.

Dorothy was the second child born to Alvin and Le Verna (Rensvold) Hagen of Wolf Point on July 26, 1942, joining brother Rick, followed by brothers Lee and Ron and sister Mary. At the age of 7 the family moved to Whitefish living there for three years, then moving to Collier Lane in Kalispell where they could see the glow of the city dump off to the east, later settling on Third Avenue East.

Dorothy grew up spending time with her brothers and neighborhood kids swimming in the Stillwater River and ice skating there and Woodland Park.

Having a father that loved to play music, she acquired a love for it also. She learned to play the clarinet in elementary school, continuing through high school band, later learning to play the accordion, her favorite, fiddle and piano.

Dorothy attended school in Wolf Point, Whitefish and Kalispell, graduating from Flathead County High School in 1960.

June 3, 1961, she married C. Arthur Hanson in Kalispell, moving to his family's farm where she learned all aspects of farming. They had four daughters, Sandy, Linnette, Lorraine and Connie.

During her years in the Stillwater community she was a leader for Stillwater Beavers and B & F Livestock 4-H clubs, active in Merry Matrons and Crafti-Anna's Home demonstration clubs, West Valley Fire Department Auxiliary, Stillwater Lutheran Church, Northwest Montana Accordion Association and Eagle's Auxiliary. She was awarded the Flathead Extension Homemaker of the Year for 1987-1988.

six stepchildren to Dorothy's family.

Many trips back and forth from Montana to Salome, Arizona, and Mesquite followed. Wintering in the south included playing lots of accordion music with friends and neighbors. Summer brought the return to Montana and various jobs — at Alpine Lighting, Smith Memorial Daycare, Northwest Montana Fair and sugar beet harvest in Sidney.

Dorothy enjoyed going on adventures with her grandchildren, giving them history lessons, attending concerts, sports activities and whatever else came along, usually including an ice cream stop.

On July 2 Dorothy made her last trip home to Montana. Shortly after arriving she was diagnosed with Stage 4 Non Hodgkin's lymphoma and other complications, which quickly brought her journey to an end.

Dorothy was preceded in death by her parents, and sister Mary Schlegel.

She is survived by her husband, Joe; daughters, Sandy (Greg) Evenson and Linnette Thorp, both of Kalispell, Lorraine (Les) Knudson of Havre, and Connie (Todd) Evenson of Gallatin Gateway; grandchildren, Chance (Codi) Evenson of Kalispell, Josie Evenson of Sidney, Jayme Evenson and Tia Evenson of Kalispell, Emily Thorp of Wilsall, Cole Thorp of Kalispell, J.C. (Brandy) Hanson of Big Sandy, and Kale, Ryan, Aspen and Erynn Evenson of Gallatin Gateway; great-granddaughters, Mc Kenlee and Sawyer Evenson and Oaklynn Goff of Kalispell, also a great-grandson on the way; brothers, Rick (Rena) Hagen and Lee (Fay) Hagen, both of Kalispell, and Ron (Bobbi) Hagen of Columbia Falls.

She is also survived by her husband's

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In her younger years Dorothy worked numerous jobs including the Cherry Warehouse, Gambles and the telephone company. When her daughters were in their teens she went to work for Dr. John Francis, then Equity Supply (now CHS) and Lilly Miller Seeds.

In June of 1999 she and Art divorced, sending her on new adventures to work at the Flying E Ranch in Wickenburg, Arizona, and JJJ Wilderness Ranch in Augusta. La Salle Lighting and Alpine Lighting finished her full-time working career.

Through her participation in the Accordion Association she met Joe Bauer of Missoula; they were married Aug. 13, 2005. This added

children and spouses, Dominic (Janelle), Troy (Glenda), Kifflin, Joe (Kim), Kristin and, Scott (Randi) Bauer and grandchildren, Zachary, Bozeman, Syterra, Jetta, Autumn, Max, Jaycee, Callan, Phillip and Penelope, all of the Missoula area; one aunt, Irene Toavs, of Wolf Point; and numerous cousins, nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 6, at Stillwater Free Lutheran Church with Pastor Craig Scavo officiating. A potluck reception will follow at Centennial Farm pond.

In lieu flowers the family suggests memorials to Angel Kisses, Caring Bridge or their choice.

Joshua J. Hanson, 34

Josh Hanson passed away in his sleep the morning of March 6, 2017.

Born in North Dakota on July 21, 1982, he would spend time in Florida but eventually move to Kalispell where his mother Tonnie Pier and stepfather Dennis Pier would raise Corey, Josh and Shay.

During this time, he would meet friends Chris Keyes, Sean Hurley and Jason Tietema, quickly transforming their friendship into a bond like no other.

Josh's passion for electronics would lead him to manage and eventually own his own business in Bozeman. It



would be there that he would become a homeowner, meeting Tim McCutcheon and

adding another gentleman to his brotherhood of close friends.

In the end, his love of family would lead him back to Kalispell as he reunited with his uncle Casey Swanson and begin to develop a great bond with his nephews Hayden, Landon and Jax.

His father Keith Hanson and Grandmother Vonna Hines preceded Joshua in death.

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Mona Marie Hanson, 96

In the early hours of July 12, 2017, at the Genesis, Whitefish Care Center, Mona Marie Hanson "went to be with her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ."

Mona was born on May 5, 1921, just 10 miles west of Whitefish, to Gilbert Emerson Burk and Lena Jane Burk (Talbot). She was a "Montana Girl" who lived her entire life in the Northwest. There was no desire to see the world ... her world was Montana.

Mona attended grade school in Olney and Whitefish, never completing her high school education. Mona was married to her first husband, James M. Presnell, from 1937 until his death in 1950. Six children, Myrna, Roger, Richard, Joan, Judy and Kelly, were born of this marriage. In 1972, she met and married Harvey A. Hanson, who had two children, Brenda and Gary. Mona and Harvey were both lovers of the Montana outdoors, enjoying over 40 years of fishing, hunting, camping and berry picking together.

Mona was always creating things, beautiful ceramics hand painted, rock creations, some with a bit of the "Blarney Stone" mixed in to the end result. Harvey, in his treks through the wilderness, was always collecting stones for her to work with. Their home was always full of guests, friends and relatives, none of whom ever left without a satisfying home cooked meal. A friendly card game was never far away at any gathering.

She was preceded in death by her father and mother, Gilbert and Lena Burk; her brother Gilbert "Gib" Burk and his wife Enid, brother Albert Burk, brother Ted Burk and his wife Louise, brother



Bill Burk, brother James Burk; sister Clara Graves and her husband Frank,

and sister Betty Overby; daughter Myrna Presnell, and grandson Travis Presnell.

Mona is survived by Harvey Hanson, her husband of 45 years, their children Brenda and her husband Roger Blizzard of Spokane, son Gary Hanson of Whitefish, son Roger Presnell and his wife Arletta of Eureka, son Richard Presnell of Kalispell, daughter Joan Young and her husband Dennis of Kalispell, daughter Judy Klein of Tucson, Arizona, daughter Kelly Harold of Kalispell; brother-in-law Stan Hanson of Whitefish; sister-in-law Norma Burk of Olney, sister-in-law Vera Burk of Whitefish, sister-in-law Karen Burk of Helena; 16 grandchildren; 25 great-grandchildren and seven great-great-grandchildren and countless nieces and nephews.

The Hanson family would like to thank the entire staff of Genesis, Whitefish Care Center for the loving care they provided during the family's time of need.

Funeral services will be held at 3 p.m. on Monday, July 17, at Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Hwy. 93 North in Eureka, with the Rev. Chris Tabbert officiating. Viewing will be held at this same location between 11:00 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.

Cremation will follow the services, with inurnment at the Tobacco Valley Cemetery at a later date. Schnackenberg & Nelson Funeral Homes of Eureka and Libby are caring for the family.

Gene Harrison, 82

Gene Harrison, 82, passed away on April 11, 2017, in Kalispell.

He was preceded in death by one sister, and his parents, Wayne and Myrtle Harrison.

He is survived by his wife, Shirley, of Kalispell; his son, Terry Harrison, of Sacramento, California; daughters, Sharron Darrow of Martinez, California, and Paula Weber of Kalispell; brother, Roger Harrison, of Sacramento; seven grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Gene was born on Aug. 27, 1934, in Portola, California. He was raised in the mountains of Quincy, California. During his youth, he worked for his dad's business as a truck driver and also a parts man for a local garage. Later, he worked for the California State Printing Office printing books for the public



schools. He also worked for various propane companies as a truck driver, salesman or manager

in the states of California, Oregon, Idaho and Washington.

Gene loved being around people and making them laugh, sunny weather, technology and Western music. As a Christian, he always loved being involved in a church. When he was younger he enjoyed horseback riding, boats and water skiing. In Oregon, he got into Jeep off-road dirt racing. He loved spending time with friends over a cup of coffee.

A memorial service will be at 11 a.m. on Saturday, April 15, at Bethel Baptist Church, 936 Fourth Avenue West.

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Dale Allan Harrold, 62

Dale Allan Harrold, 62, passed away on Sunday, Dec. 10, 2017 at his home in Whitefish, Dale was born in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada on August 10, 1955 to David and Margaret (Crowe) Harrold.

It is with the profound sadness that comes with losing someone very special and loved, that our family announces the tragic loss of Dale Allan Harrold, husband of 36 years to Annette, father to son Deon (Dalys), Grandfather to Carter and Tyler, brother to Kim and David Jay, friend, colleague and mentor to so many who became close to Dale as he travelled the world on many interesting projects and wonderful adventures.

Dale contributed to and enriched the lives of many as a career professional in the international oil patch. He became a trusted mentor, loyal supporter and benefactor helping many begin and nurture their careers. His adventurous spirit provided the ability to achieve so much in the many passions and interests he tackled with unlimited energy and spirit.

Our family is so proud of Dale's amazing entrepreneurial spirit not only in the energy sector, and the lifelong relationships he fostered with hardworking, genuine friends and colleagues around the globe.

Dale's 40-year career in the energy industry was "sunsetting," and now armed with dual citizenship in Canada and the U.S., he began to plan and build a Montana enclave for his retirement years. The great outdoors called and Dale answered,



assembling a fleet of motorcycles, ATV quads, and snow machines for an

eager gaggle of grandchildren, nieces, and nephews - family ready to ride, play, and experience this Montana lifestyle.

Time with grandchildren Carter and Tyler was so precious to Dale. He assumed the task of providing the best Montana outdoors education including camping, bushcraft, knife and axe skills, even snaring critters for food and skins (Carter really wanted gopher skin gloves). Without a doubt, the boys are now prepared for any apocalypse that may occur.

Sadly, it was cancer that became the nemesis of this strong, dynamic, bigger-than-life man. A lifetime of achievement was attacked by five months of this, the cursed evil that creeps in and robs so many of our loved ones of their forward-looking potential. Yet, like a graphic novel superhero, the achievements of this bigger-than-life Renaissance man cannot be thwarted by a disease so common to so many in our time. Dale is remembered and loved for what he gave, and his legacy that like our memory of him, will endure forever.

We would like to thank Amy and her hospice team for all the help and advice they provided to us all.

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 is caring for the family.

Margaret Belle 'Margiebel' Hart, 87

Margaret Belle "Margiebel" Hart passed away peacefully on July 22, 2017, in Whitefish.

Margiebel was born Oct. 20, 1929, to C. Wyman and Velma Taylor in Missoula. She grew up in Polson where she graduated from Polson High School in 1947.

She married Lawrence "Larry" Hart in 1947 and, in 1950, they moved to Lakeside where they raised their family. Margiebel took great pride in the fact that she could slalom water ski and never gave up her search for a picture to post at her retirement home to prove it!

In 1971, Margiebel and Larry moved to Grants Pass, Oregon, where they owned and operated Caveman campers for 15 years. She and Larry lived in Montana and Virginia until 1995 when they retired and returned to Oregon. Margiebel returned "home" to the Flathead Valley in July 2016 to enjoy the mountains, Flathead Lake, and time with her family.

Wherever she lived, Margiebel remained active in her community, and she was a member of Bahari, Western Star and Eastern Star. During her more than 50 years of active membership in Eastern Star, she held the office of Worthy Matron several times.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, a brother, Gary B. Taylor, and her son-in-law Clyde Stearns.



She is survived by a son, Dennis (Monica) Hart, daughter Candi Stearns, brother Wyman D. (Dee) Taylor, sisters-in-law Betty Erickson and Dorothy (Wayne) Haas, her granddaughters, great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews, and friend of more than 60 years Helen Stevens.

The family also would like to express their sincere gratitude to the excellent staff at The Springs, particularly Kim and Savannah.

Margiebel's sometimes sweet, often feisty, but always loving attitude will be missed by all who knew her.

A private service will be held at Margiebel's request.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to Shriners Hospitals for Children.

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Carol L. Hartman, 92

Carol L. Hartman, 92, of Sublimity, Oregon, died April 27, 2017, in Salem, Oregon.

She was born Oct. 1, 1924, in Castle Rock, Washington. She moved to Bigfork where she raised her family before moving to Fairbanks, Alaska. She moved to Oregon City, Oregon, in 1978 where she and her husband resided for 28 years before moving to Dallas for four years. Carol spent the last four years of her life in Sublimity. Carol worked as a "Rosie the Riveter" in the shipyards during World War II, also working for Boeing. She worked for many years as a waitress. She attended Calvary Chapel in Dallas and Mehama Community Church in Mehama. Carol was a member of the Rebekah's. She was an avid high school sports fan of her children and grandchildren. Carol enjoyed going to the beach and digging for razor clams. Most important to her was her family and the deep love that



she had for them.

Carol married E. Boyd Hartman on April 15, 1964, in Coeur

d'Alene, Idaho. He preceded her in death on March 27, 2013.

She is survived by children, Gary (Rhonda) Pierce of Dallas, Pete (Fern) Pierce of Stayton, Oregon, Lora Lee (Mark) Brekhus of Scottsdale, Arizona, Bob (Eva) Hartman of Moses Lake, Washington, Tom (Sheryl) Hartman of Chugiak, Alaska, and Kathy (Walt) Schlotfeut of Napa Valley, California; 10 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren and one great-great-granddaughter.

Carol was preceded in death by a sister, Shirley Glenn, and a grandson, Eric Pierce.

A private family and friends service will be held at a later date.

North Santiam Funeral Service, Stayton, is serving the family.

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Richard Carl Hartman, 77

Richard Carl Hartman, 77, passed away peacefully at home on Sept. 17, 2017, surrounded by his family.

He was born in Saginaw, Michigan, to Fred and Mae Hartman. He grew up in Midland, Michigan, and moved to Montana in 1978. He helped his parents run

their cherry orchard on Flathead Lake until 1987 when he moved to Martin City.

Richard worked at Flathead Industries Thrift Store in Columbia Falls for 25 years. He enjoyed



spending time with friends and family, going to church, watching "The Price Is Right," "Wheel of Fortune" and "Jeopardy."

Richard was preceded in death by his parents; his brother, Fred; his brother-in-law, Tom Church; and nephew, Louie Church.

Richard is survived by his sister, Mary Jane Church, who cared for him for the last 30 years; his nieces, Carma (John) Johnson, Cathy (Mike) Nash, and Suzanne Church. He is also survived by his great- and great-great-nieces and -nephews, Brandi (Chris) Sinerius, Jake and Jax

Sinerius, Tom (Marissa) Church, Corbin and Beau Church, Bill (Michonne) Johnson, Harper Lou Johnson, Shelby Nash, Lori, Emily, and Danny Church; and his good friends, Pat McVay, Scotty Smith and Paul Synder.

The family would like to thank the many friends

and family who stopped by to visit and who sent cards during Richard's illness. We would also like to thank all of the caregivers at Frontier Hospice who took such great care of Richard in his last four months.

A celebration of life will be held in the spring of 2018.

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Phyllis Alice Hartsoch, 98

Phyllis Alice Hartsoch, 98, (also known as Grandma), died July 13, 2017, at the home she shared with her daughter Donna Rae and Jim Bruner after selling her home in Bay City, Washington. Her family was with her during her painless "trip to meet the Lord."

Phyllis was born Feb. 18, 1919, to Clyde Doyle and Edna (Kuchel) Doyle in Holstein, Iowa. She was the first of six children. The Doyle family moved to Kalispell in 1936. That is where she met the man of her dreams Milton F. Hartsoch, known as Mel; they married July 3, 1937. Together they worked from farming to logging, whatever it took. She helped with her family's restaurant, and what a good cook she was.

Their first-born child was Donna Rae Hartsoch, born Jan. 16, 1939; after a short time, off they went to work again driving her dump truck with baby bed fixed next to her. She was a mother trucker, Mel would call her. They even helped her mother raise her brothers and sisters. Their son Jack Doyle Hartsoch was born April 15, 1941. When the children were ready to travel off they went. The traveling bug hit again, working from Montana to Oregon, Idaho, Washington and even Alaska (before it was a state), building roads, as Mel was in construction business now. They moved back to Washington to own partnership with their son on an oyster farm (Phyllis got her hands into it too). They grew oysters at Dabob Bay in Quilcene, Washington,



and trucked them to California. Later selling that business,

they moved to Bay City near their son. They bought property and had a home put on it in 1971 and found themselves back in the oyster business at Bay City (for something to do). They had the first license in the county for oysters.

Phyllis retired as Mel did, playing and gardening and growing flowers. Mel passed in 1984.

Phyllis lived for her wonderful family.

Phyllis is survived by daughter Donna Rae (Jim) Bruner of Aberdeen, Washington; daughter-in-law Theresa Hartsoch of Bay City; Jackie Hartsoch and Mike Szynder of Wareham, Massachusetts; Kim (Marty) Skinner of Hoquiam, Washington; Scott D. Hartsoch of Olympia, Washington; Patrick M. Wison of Packwood, Washington; siblings, Karen (Scott) Cottet, Mary Doyle of Pendleton, Oregon, Willis Doyle of Fargo, North Dakota, Don Doyle of Kalispell, Joe Kucere of Cedar Rapids, Iowa; four grandchildren, six great-grandchildren, several nieces and nephews and one very special friend.

There will be no services. Please, no flowers.

Donations are suggested to the Westport South Beach Ambulance or the Cancer Clinic.

Arrangements are entrusted to Harrison Family Mortuary of Aberdeen.

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Rolland 'Ron,' 'Rolly' Haskell, 87

Rolland "Ron," "Rolly" Haskell, 87, passed away on Wednesday, April 27, 2016.

Ron was born in 1929 in Lead, South Dakota. Ron was hard working and an avid outdoorsman. He found great joy in spending time with family and friends. He excelled in welding and mechanics. He was also an inventor ... if he didn't have a tool that worked, he made it. Ron was proud of his service to his country through the Army Air Force.

He was husband to Leona; father of Sherri, Christy, Bruce, Patty, and Diane; grandfather to Melissa, Michelle, Sonia, Leah, Jennifer, Angela, and Jesse.; and great-grandfather to



Cameron, Laura, Taylor, Isaac and Carter.

The graveside service will be held at 1 p.m. on Monday, May 2, at Glacier Memorial

Gardens. To be followed by a gathering of family and friends at the far west pavilion in Woodland Park.

In lieu of flowers, optional memorial donations may be given to Alzheimer's Association, P.O. Box 96011, Washington, D.C. 20090-6011.

4 Jul 2017

Dustin James Hassler, 39

Dustin James Hassler, 39, passed away peacefully Thursday, June 29, 2017 at Kalispell Regional Medical Center surrounded by family and friends.

Dusty was born July 4, 1977 to James "Jim" and Rhonda "Roni" (Geddes) Hassler.

Dusty grew up in Kalispell, attending East Evergreen Elementary, Evergreen Junior High and Flathead High School.

Dusty met the love of his life Miranda Mortimer in the summer of 2001. They married Aug. 11, 2007. Their twin boys Tyler and Jacob and daughter

Kaleigh completed their family.

Dusty was a man



of many trades in the construction industry. After the birth of his twin boys Dusty

worked for Excel Painting for many years until he started work at Performance Heating and Air.

If you ever met Dusty, you had a friend for life. He brought comedy into every situation. Dusty not only lived for his family he lived to make people laugh. He will be missed by all who knew him.

Dusty was preceded in death by his father, Jim; grandparents, Fred and Mary Hassler, and Ruth

Weaver.

Dusty is survived by his wife, Miranda; twin boys, Tyler and Jacob; and daughter, Kaleigh, all of Kalispell; mother, Rhonda "Roni" and stepfather, Don Wiebe of Kalispell; sisters, Keri of Everett, Washington, Lisa of Fallon, Nevada, and Stacie of Kalispell; grandfather, Ira "Ike" Weaver of Thompson

Falls; mother-in-law, Cindy Mortimer; father-in-law, Rob Mortimer; nieces, Steffani and Maranda; nephews, Brayden and Kedryn; and numerous friends.

A celebration of life will be held at 6 p.m. Friday, July 7, at Performance Heating and Air in Evergreen.

Robert 'Bob' George Hatfield, 90

Robert "Bob" George Hatfield, 90, died on Oct. 18, 2017, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center, following the effects of a fall at his home.

Bob was born on Jan. 13, 1927, in Thermopolis, Wyoming, to William and Cora Hatfield.

After graduating from Thermopolis High School in 1945, he promptly served in the Army in World War II and in South Korea until 1947. Then he attended college in Bozeman and Laramie, Wyoming, studying agronomy, and playing NCAA basketball and billiards.

His career path led him into teaching elementary students at Peterson School in Kalispell and schools in San Jose, California, for 30 years.

In 1952, he met Sally Waller on a blind date in Casper, Wyoming, and they were married in 1953 at Sally's childhood home in Kalispell. Bob worked in a grocery store, shoe sales, insurance, and as a tennis coach at Linderman School until he settled into teaching. In 1961, they moved to San Jose with their children Cindy and Mark. After retirement in 1989, Bob and Sally moved back to Kalispell.

Bob's passion was serving others through Meals on Wheels, selling tickets for the Rollins buffalo feed fundraisers and volunteering as a docent at the Museum at Central School to share his knowledge of Sally's grandfather, Frank B. Linderman, whose contribution to Montana history was recorded in literature, sculpture and associations with various Native American groups in the region.



cereal box front covers, often signing names of the person's favorite politician or sports heroes, and writing an encour-

aging message.

He wrote to over 40 friends and former students on birch bark, telling people there was a paper shortage in Montana and, while his son Mark's students wrote letters to animal characters from the Linderman books, Bob would write back to the children as the chipmunk's great-grandfather, Stumpy III.

Bob had an uplifting personality and seemed to know everyone or he would make a friend quickly. He had a loving personality, teased or joked and, most importantly, made others feel appreciated.

He enjoyed spending his summers at the Linderman cabin at Flathead Lake, working in the woods, resting on the porch, or fellowshiping with family and friends at nightly beach fires.

Bob is survived by his daughter, Cindy Farnsworth, and her children, Mason and Megan Farnsworth; and his son, Mark, and Terri Hatfield and their children Brayden and Riley Hatfield.

Preceding him in death were his wife Sally, brother William Hatfield, and granddaughter Breanna Hatfield.

A funeral service will be held at 2 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 26, at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home in Kalispell.

In 2002, Bob was recognized as Senior Citizen of the Year for his volunteering and service with the Meals on Wheels program. He was able to meet many people who were elderly or recovering from illness and he would return and give them a "bookay" of dead flowers and twigs in vases he'd buy from the Salvation Army. He would include cards that were written on

interment with military and Masonic honors will follow at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery. A reception will take place at 4 p.m. at the Museum at Central School.

Donations in Bob's memory may be given to the Museum at Central School, Meals on Wheels, the Kalispell Fire Department or Rollins Community Center.

Warner Augustus 'Bud' Hatten, 85

Warner Augustus "Bud" Hatten passed away peacefully at home April 2, 2017, at the age of 85.

Born Jan. 17, 1932, in McKinney, Texas, to parents Warner A. Hatten Sr. and Cora Hatten, he grew to love all things electronic and became a talented electronics and computer engineer. He served in the United States Air Force and upon being honorably discharged worked most of his adult life in a career that spanned four decades in Silicon Valley. Though a small cog in a giant wheel, he played an important role in the advances of electronic and computer technology of the latter 20th century and the technological revolution that swept the world.

He met, fell in love with and married Clarin Patricia Brooks April 15, 1961. Together they raised two children and had a very long and happy marriage of 34 years until her death in 1995.

Bud was happily remarried for the last 15 years of his life and is survived by his wife, Judy Hatten, of Kalispell, his son Marc Hatten and daughter-in-law Eileen Hatten of Huson, his daughter Sherry Willis and son-in-law David Willis of Carmichael, California, his grandchildren Steven Hatten, Richard Hatten, and Kelli



Buck, great-grandchildren Olivia and Elle Hatten, his brother Leroy Hatten of Plano, Texas, stepchil-

dren Kip Moran, Dan Moran and his wife Cheryl, as well as so many others including numerous extended family and friends.

Bud had a kind and gentle soul and was truly a nice person, someone who never had a bad word to say about anyone and liked everyone he met. He had been a member of the Elks Club and a 50-year member of the Freemasons, with local membership at the Masonic Lodge No. 42 in Kalispell.

A viewing will take place from noon to 2 p.m. Friday, April 7, with services to begin at 2 p.m. Immediately following the service family and friends are welcome to gather at a local restaurant (to be determined) to celebrate his life and reminisce about this wonderfully good and decent man who will be missed by all. Burial will be the following day, 11 a.m. Saturday, April 8, at Conrad Cemetery in Kalispell.

Dave Havener, 62

On Aug. 12, 2017, Dave Havener passed away peacefully at home following a valiant 3-year battle against multiple myeloma.

Dave was born on Oct. 14, 1954, to Victor and Jackie (Weiss) Havener of Pasadena, California. The family relocated to San Diego, where he met and married his high school sweetheart, Lisa Wall, in 1974. Dave and Lisa settled in the beautiful Mountain Brook community of Kalispell, where they built their own home and raised their children.

Dave worked in the electrical trade, attaining master electrician status and operating his own contracting business, DH Electric, for many years. When their grown children settled in the Seattle area, Dave and Lisa began a new chapter in their lives in Port Orchard, Washington, where they



rebuilt an older home together and specialized their business, Citywide Electric, on the installation and repair of standby generators, but a piece of their hearts remained in Montana.

An incredibly hard worker, Dave's work was his play. He loved his electrical work, his colleagues and his customers, many of whom became friends. In his spare time, he was a HAM radio enthusiast and volunteer, and a gifted craftsman who loved to work with his hands. Dave as builder and Lisa as designer worked side by side over their 42 wonderful years of marriage. He surrounded us with the beauty he created and

with the constant light of his reassuring presence.

He was as adept at mending broken hearts as he was at repairing things. With his strong and reliable arms, he guided his loved ones on the level and plumb path, leading by quiet example. He was a genuine and honest man of integrity, faithful and true, fair, kind, unassuming, a lover of animals and little ones, a champion of the weak, a friend to everyone, a man of goodwill, a man of mirthful sense of humor, quick to smile, a man of unwavering faith in Jesus Christ. He was the sturdy oak we could always lean on and trust in. The pain of our loss underlines the treasure that he was to us.

Dave was preceded in death by his mother Jackie, and is survived by his wife, Lisa Havener of

Port Orchard; children, Greg (April) Havener of Monroe, Washington, Christine (Rich) Ellis of Port Orchard, and Brian Havener of Bothell, Washington; grandchildren, Cole, Corbin, Hannah and Owen Havener and Claire, Liam and Henry Ellis; his father, Victor (Elizabeth) Havener, of Cedar Springs, Michigan; and by siblings, Theresa Schumacher of Jacksonville, Oregon, Cynthia (Ray) Bedsaul of Clayton, North Carolina, and Michael (Joy) Havener of Alpine, California.

Dave didn't want a funeral but rather that anyone who called him friend would do something kind for someone else in his memory. In lieu of flowers, written memories of him would be treasured.

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George Enoch Hawes, 88

George "was called by the angels in heaven to complete his journey" on May 4, 2017, passing peacefully at home due to natural causes.

He was born July 2, 1928, in his grandparents' home in Hopewell, New York, to George and Leota Hawes, the first of their three children, including Barbara and Robert.

George graduated from Red Jacket High School in Manchester, New York, and then joined the Merchant Marines in the Mediterranean, and later enlisted in the Navy and served onboard submarines during World War II. He received an honorable discharge in 1950.

He met and married Pauline Barnes while stationed in San Diego. They were blessed with six children, George, James, William, Donald, Barbara and Deborah, whom he cherished to the end of his days.

George succeeded as a builder and developer and opened an insurance agency in Gridley, California, where he raised his family.

He enjoyed hunting, fishing, camping, coaching sports, boating and many other outdoor activities, instilling his love for God's creation to all his children.

It was in Gridley where he was touched by the Holy Spirit of God and became, as he would often remark, "born again and spirit filled." This launched him into a quest of wanting to share the "Good News" to everyone who desired to hear the message and he led countless people to the Lord.

In 1994, he met and married Lynn Krause, who had two adult children, daughter Kara and a son William, whom he loved and nurtured as his own.

George and Lynn moved to Montana two weeks after marriage and were forever enchanted



by the beauty, grandeur and tranquility they found here. They celebrated their 23rd anniversary just four days prior to his death.

Leading people to the Lord was his greatest passion and gave him delight and joy. He was steadfast in this mission to the very end, introducing a granddaughter, Amber, and a great-granddaughter, Hailey, to Jesus with a laying on of hands just five days prior to his death, the two of them being his last precious ones to receive "the gift."

This is the true legacy, memorial and testimony George would want to be remembered for — the joy and happiness of sharing the gospel and witnessing changes in the lives of those he touched.

George is survived by all eight children, wife Lynn, brother Robert, and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren, all of whom loved the Lord, his heart's desire.

His ashes will be given to the family to be scattered at multiple locations, times and occasions of their choosing, as this was his wish and request to us all. So no formal or public services are planned.

The first scattering and celebration of George's amazing life was on May 9 at one of his favorite spots along the Flathead River, where he enjoyed the peace, serenity and God's beautiful creation while reading his Bible, and the rest is to be continued...

Condolences for the family may be submitted online at www.buffalo-hillfh.com. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

James E. Hawley, 76

"A simply wonderful life" is how one would describe the life of James E. Hawley, who died on Jan. 31, 2017, at approximately 18:50 at Kalispell Regional.

He was born Aug. 8, 1940, in the then Irish borough of South Side Chicago. He was raised, with his younger sister, Carol, in the grandest traditions of Irish/Scottish Roman Catholic parents.

He left Chicago to obtain a college education and, along the way, joined the U.S. Army. He had a very distinguished career of over 20 years in the military. He obtained the rank of colonel, specializing in EOD/ammunitions, Airborne and command staff. He retired as the epitome of the "quiet professional" and patriot.

It was in the military that he met his greatest love, Patricia Hawley, his faithful wife, friend, mother of his only child



— Michael, advocate and supporter of over 50 years.

When he retired from the

Army he went on to have a long and successful career in the private sector. When he decided to retire again, he landed in Bigfork, to be with friends. It was here that he spent his days in the service of St. John Paul II Church and many charitable organizations supported by that organization. His family grew to include his daughter-in-law, Connie, and granddaughter, Lauren.

He is loved by all that he came into contact with and will be sorely missed.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. today, Feb. 7, at St. John Paul II Catholic Church in Bigfork.

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Danielle Dellerson Hayes, 37

Danielle "Deeder" Dellerson was born in Hollywood, Florida, on Dec. 26, 1979, to loving parents, Dr. Richard and Wendy Dellerson, and big sister, Lara. Danielle graduated from Pine Crest School in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, in 1998. She then attended the University of California at Santa Barbara, but transferred to the University of Montana her sophomore year and graduated with a broadcast journalism degree. Danielle was a reporter, producer and anchor for the local NBC affiliate in Missoula from 2002 to 2005. She then went on to a sales job with Big Sky Brewing, which took her to Seattle with her sister, Lara, where they shared a few very special years as single gals in the city.

In 2007, she started law school back at the University of Montana. She completed her law degree and started an internship at the Senate Finance Committee, working with her career and life mentor, Russ Sullivan.

Eventually, in 2013, she followed Russ to McGuire Woods Consulting where she was a federal tax policy consultant for the timber industry.

She married Colonel James E. Hayes III, USA, on April 15, 2015, in Alexandria, Virginia, where they resided. Danielle loved being a wife, stepmother to Emma Hayes and Stacy McMarlin-Hayes, and attending Hayes family gatherings in Connecticut.

Danielle especially loved Montana and the time spent there with family and friends over the years. She enjoyed skiing at Big Mountain and swimming in Flathead and Whitefish lakes. As children, Danielle and Lara spent countless hours on the shores of Flathead Lake at their family home. It is this location where Danielle is now resting eternally.

There is a pilgrimage that occurs in Whitefish each year of Danielle and



Lara's closest friends, which was one of Danielle's favorite times of the year.

"Girls Gone Whitefish"... who later morphed into the "Band of Broads," are the women closest to Danielle who have provided endless laughs and such generous support through her battle with cancer.

Danielle was diagnosed with cholangiocarcinoma, or bile duct cancer, in early November 2016. She so bravely fought an arduous battle right up until the end. She was able to spend her last few weeks looking at Flathead Lake with her family, and close friends by her side. Danielle passed away June 22, 2017.

Danielle is survived by her husband, Colonel James E. Hayes III, USA, of Alexandria; her stepchildren, Emma and Stacy Hayes; her parents, Dr. Richard Dellerson, of Fort Lauderdale and Wendy Dellerson of Bigfork; sister Lara Dellerson Whorley, brother-in-law Todd Whorley of Bellevue, Washington, nieces Shelby and Ava Whorley, and nephew Patterson Whorley; and godmother Dr. Shirley Moye of Fort Lauderdale.

In honor of Danielle, and the research she so fiercely believed in, we have set up a website for donations to Cycle for Survival. Danielle raised over \$100,000 towards cholangiocarcinoma research in her fight to win this battle. All donations made in Danielle's name will go directly to research for this rare cancer at Memorial Sloan Kettering cancer institute in New York City; <http://mskcc.convio.net/goto/DanielleDellersonHayes>.

Danielle was a very gifted writer and wrote a beautiful blog, "Danielle's Big Adventure," about her battle with cancer at <https://danielle-hayes.com>.

A celebration of Danielle's life will be held Saturday, Sept. 9, at The Union Station Columbus Club, Washington, D.C.

John Gillis Hayes Jr., 55

John Gillis Hayes Jr. passed away at his home on Oct. 5, 2017, after a long battle with illness. He was 55 years old.

He is survived by his three children, Ryesha, Justin and Trevor, their spouses, his parents, Gillis and Vivian, his sister, Sherie, and numerous cousins, nieces and nephews.

John was born April 22, 1962, in Fairbanks, Alaska. His family relocated to Louisiana, then Arizona, where he met his wife and began his trade as an electrician. After starting their family, they relocated to Montana.

Johnny loved the outdoors, was an avid reader, fisherman and Broncos fan. He loved to take his kids out in his Chevelle, and was a very active and involved

father.

He loved to tease, was quick to laugh, and even while battling a brain tumor and other illnesses, he maintained a great sense of humor. Although he had strayed from his beliefs, he had recently acknowledged that he was the happiest when he had a strong faith in God, and he was working towards rebuilding that faith. He was a very devoted son and father, and will be deeply missed.

Together with their family, his children eagerly await the day when "those in the memorial tombs will hear His voice and come out" and he will live again, on Paradise Earth. John 5:28, 29.

There will be a private service with his family.

16 Oct 2017

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