

Mary (Sharpe) MacDonald, 99

On Jan. 30, 2018, at her home in Kalispell, Mary (Sharpe) MacDonald "began her journey to be with her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ."

Mary was born on Feb. 9, 1918, 14 miles northeast of Big Timber on her grandfather's homestead, to Jonas Sharpe and Lucy Sharpe. Mary spent her early youth tending to bum lambs on her grandfather's ranch. When she was 4 years old Mary contracted polio and traveled by train many times to the Shriner's Hospital in Minneapolis where she spent countless hours in treatment, therapy and operations.

Mary met Ronald MacDonald and they were married on Dec. 6, 1937, in Whitefish.

She was involved with the VFW, Smith Valley Grange, and community activities. Spending time with her family was her biggest joy. From birthday parties to days on the lake to playing cards, she always enjoyed getting together with those she loved.

She was preceded in death by her father, Jonas Sharpe, and mother, Lucy Cartwright; her sisters, Ellen Nutting, Betty Mathis and Bessie Jones; and brother, Ernest Sharpe; her husband, Ronald MacDonald; and her son, Ronald MacDonald Jr.

Mary is survived by her brother, Robert Cartwright Sr.; daughter, Marilyn Smith, and her husband, Arthur, of Jefferson City, Montana; daughter Jeanette Wetzel of Kalispell; 10 grandchildren, Kim Smith, Jeff Smith, Anthony Smith, Annette Smith, Jamie Lentz, Jim Presnell, Angie Ripple, Michael



MacDonald, Rona Chenoweth and Lex MacDonald Fritz; 21 great-grandchildren; and 11

great-great-grandchildren; and countless nieces and nephews.

The MacDonald family would like to thank Frontier Hospice of Kalispell for the loving care they provided during the family's time of need.

Visitation will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 7, at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home, 1890 Highway 93 North in Kalispell, with a rosary beginning at 7 p.m. Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 12:10 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 8, at St. Matthew's Catholic Church. Burial will follow at Glacier Memorial Gardens.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in Mary's name to The Friends of Hospice, 42 Bruyer Way Kalispell, MT 59901.

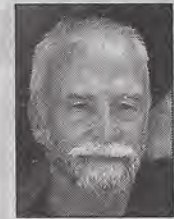
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Don 'Buzz' MacCarter, 74

Don "Buzz" MacCarter, 74, originally from Billings and later of Paradise Valley, Livingston, died peacefully at home after a long bout with cancer. Ever since 1978, Don and his wife Jane, daughter Mindy, and son Kent spent many summers together on Wild Horse Island at Flathead Lake.

Don is survived by his wife of 50 years, Jane (Stahl) MacCarter; daughter, Mindy MacCarter (Zac) Mangel; son, Kent (Penny) MacCarter; and grandsons, Jake and Ben Mangel and Auden MacCarter; and twin brother, Douglas (Mary Lynn) of Kalispell, and triplet brothers, Dean (Monika) of Denver, Daryl (Karen) of Whitefish, and David of Bozeman, and their families.

While Don began his career as a popular biology teacher at Lakeville High School near Minneapolis-St. Paul, Minnesota, he also spent many summers doing work on raptors (primarily ospreys) at the Flathead Lake Biological Station. After 16 years of teaching, he signed on for a new career with the New Mexico Department of Game and Fish (NMDGF) in Santa Fe, New Mexico, where he ultimately served as division chief of Public Affairs for 21 years. Don's favorite place always remained Wild



Horse Island where the extended MacCarter family have a cabin.

Don and Jane both retired in 2004, moving south of Livingston, where Don kept busy doing population monitoring work on peregrine falcons for the Montana Peregrine Institute and wildlife photography at Yellowstone National Park.

Don instilled in us a love of nature, appreciation for all wildlife, a drive to never give up when the going gets tough; and left us with an immense collection of his amazing photography.

A memorial service will be held for Don on July 28, 2019, at the Flathead Lake Biological Station in the Elrod Lecture Hall.

Donations to the Flathead Lake Biological Station are welcomed in Don's memory. Send memorials to the University of Montana Foundation, P.O. Box 7159, Missoula, MT 59807 or online at www.supportum.org. Please note "In memory of Don MacCarter for the Flathead Lake Biological Station FB115."

Online condolences may be shared at Franzen-Davis.com.

Caryl Louise Maniscalco, 76

Caryl Louise Maniscalco of St. Helena, California, passed away peacefully in her sleep at the home of her first son, David Boies, overlooking the Swan River in Bigfork on Sunday, Sept. 9, 2018. Caryl was 76 years old.

While her loss was sudden, Caryl died of natural causes and left this earth with grace and dignity.

Caryl was born Aug. 5, 1942, Caryl Louise Elwell, in Glendale, California. She dedicated her life to her children, grandchildren and to helping others.

Deeply loved grandmother, mother and fiercely loyal and giving friend to all she met, Caryl was a quiet powerhouse of a woman. A maverick, she raised her four children on her own while operating a small hometown cafe in the Sonoma County village of Monte Rio. She instilled in her children a sense of ethics, responsibility and self-reliance through her example. Despite difficult challenges, she provided stability to her family, friends and community. Regardless of the circumstances, Caryl exuded an infectious optimism and was always there for her children, grandchildren, or anyone who needed her.

Caryl was raised in Southern California. She graduated from Fullerton High School. She then supported her husband, David Boies, and two first children working as a switchboard operator, among other early jobs. She further supported her first husband through college and then law school in Chicago. When her first marriage ended, she moved back to California where her second two children were born. Her second husband was Peter Maniscalco.



ments and always put others before herself, especially her grandchildren.

Caryl's chief passion was her 11 grandchildren. With family spread all over the U.S. and abroad, Caryl kept up with each and every one of her children and grandchildren's lives and maintained close relationships with all. In fact, just about everyone who met her under the age of 30 called her "Grandma Caryl." The rest of us called her "Mom." The archetypal mother, she would fight any battle for her children or grandchildren. There was only one side — their side. In private she would not shrink from correcting her family with a gentle strength, but where family was concerned, against Grandma Caryl, the outside world did not stand a chance! She led through quiet fortitude and by example.

Rising from virtually nothing, she attained all of her dreams and inspired each of her children to do the same. All of her children achieved college degrees and followed her advice to believe in yourself and all things are possible. She could be feisty, opinionated and fierce but she was even more loving, caring, compassionate and intellectually brilliant. She would stand her ground but was also quick to forgive. She would sacrifice her needs for those of her children and grandchildren — and even strangers. Caryl was deeply human, kind and approachable. She had a wonderful sense of humor and was quick to laugh.

receiving 40 percent of the county-wide vote against an entrenched incumbent. Most of all, she loved to attend any event in which her grandchildren featured — from California high school rodeo to soccer, to Yale baseball, to St. Helena Montessori School Christmas pageants.

Caryl was preceded in her ascent to heaven by her beloved daughter, Caryl Louise Boies, an attorney in her own right, whom she loved with all her heart. One small comfort is that their two spirits may be seated together at the right hand of the Father.

Caryl is survived by her remaining three children, David Boies III, Tracey Allynne Hawkins (Mitch Hawkins), and Matthew Patrick Maniscalco (Tania Maniscalco); along with her 11 grandchildren, Autumn Brook Turley, David Boies IV, Marie Louise Maniscalco, Robert Buckley Boies, Virginia Louise Boies, Hannah Maniscalco, Katherine Maniscalco, Samuel Boies, Francesca Michelle Hawkins, Nina Pauline Hawkins and David Baibula.

She has left a space for all to fill in caring for one another. She would be honored if we look for ways to be of service and fill those needs in her honor.

Caryl's remains will be placed at rest at the St. Helena Public Cemetery at 11 a.m. on Nov. 10. A celebration of Caryl's life will be held at the American Legion in St. Helena, immediately following. All are welcome.

Please honor Caryl's memory by donating to Caryl's Kids, a charity established in the loving memory of her

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Eventually, she opened a small restaurant in Monte Rio. While operating the restaurant and raising her children, Caryl aspired to fulfill her dreams further. She studied for and attained first her real estate sales license and then her real estate broker's license.

She set an example as a lifelong learner, going on to fulfill her lifelong dream of being an attorney. She attended Empire Law School in Sonoma County and graduated before her children were out of the house. She became a lawyer — passing the bar exam on the first try — in 1987.

Caryl took up family law because she knew the pain and struggle of leading a broken home. She worked with legal aid to help those in most need. She also practiced real estate law. She was a font of knowledge and could answer just about any question on those special areas of law that would be posed to her. She loved wine and California's wine country and was house counsel for Hawk and Horse Vineyards for the past 18 years.

In spite of her many accomplishments, Caryl was not prideful. She downplayed her achieve-

ments. Everyone who knew her loved her.

Caryl loved to travel to exotic places and had amazing opportunities to see the world. She was an avid 49er football and San Francisco Giants fan. She enjoyed cooking, sewing, antiquing and playing piano. She founded several small businesses including two restaurants, a real estate brokerage and a candy store. She ran for judge in Sonoma County,

daughter, Caryl L. Boies: Caryl's Kids, C/O Sigrid McCawley, BSFLLP, 401 Las Olas Blvd., Ste. 1200, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301.

Cards, condolences and remembrances of Caryl's life may be sent to Tracey Hawkins, P.O. Box 324, Calistoga CA 94515.

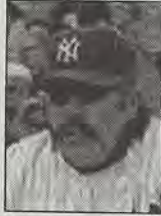
Caryl wanted to be remembered in joy and beauty! Please find a moment to be joyous in her memory today!

Jack Marcial, 74

Jack Marcial, aka "Rad Jack," "Radness," "Black Jack," or "Mad Man Marcial," passed away on Oct. 18, 2018. He was a true character, loved by many.

Jack was born May 29, 1944, during World War II in Peterborough, England, to parents Jacques "Torrido" Marcial and Sheila Catmull. He moved to New York City shortly after the war ended, then lived for a short time in Philadelphia before settling in the Oneida Lake area of upstate New York. Jack graduated from Phoenix High School before attending Syracuse University.

While in Syracuse he enjoyed a rock 'n' roll lifestyle as a DJ, lead singer in a band, and helped build the stage at Woodstock. He then spent



a year living in Woodgate, New York, where he learned to cross-country ski.

In the early 1970s Jack moved to Manitou Springs, Colorado, to expand his love of skiing and climbing. He then discovered Crested Butte, and moved there in his bus. While in Crested Butte, he worked for the Nordic Adventure program and became one of the telemark ski pioneers. He was also a certified backcountry ski guide, helicopter ski guide and ski patrolman. During the summers he worked with the Crested Butte Hot Shot crew and volunteered with the Crested Butte Search and Rescue

program.

Due to his connection to the telemark ski movement, Jack was in many ski magazines, Sports Illustrated, a Warren Miller movie, television clips, as well as referenced in the New England Ski Museum. Sports Illustrated coined Jack as "the originator of the ski-to-die technique" for his fearless backcountry skiing (April 1982).

In 1987 Jack moved with his family to Whitefish, and started his roofing business, Whitefish Roofing and Remodeling. He joined local softball leagues, coached numerous youth baseball teams, and continued to ski as much as possible. He loved the outdoors, spending time with his family, and having a beer with his buddies at

the Great Northern Bar.

He was preceded in death by his parents, and his sister, Jayme Kelly Curtis.

He is survived by his wife, Doreen; children, Victoria, Cassie, William, Shane, Lisa, Heather and Erin; his brother, David Marcial; as well as numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

A celebration of life is scheduled from 4 to 8 p.m. Nov. 4, at the Bierstube at Whitefish Mountain Resort.

In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made in Jack's name to the Flathead Valley Ski Education Foundation, Whitefish Freestyle Inc., or Friends of Flathead Avalanche Center.

Austin Funeral & Cremation in Whitefish is caring for the family.

Jean Palmer Martello, 96

Jean Palmer Martello, 96, passed away peacefully in the arms of her husband, John on July 14, 2018.

Jean was born on July 2, 1922, in Portis, Kansas. She was the seventh of 10 children born to Janie and George Palmer. She grew up on the family farm in Kansas and attended school in a one room schoolhouse. Jean completed high school in Kansas and moved to Montana with several siblings. She lived with them while working at the Union Bank in Helena. A coworker and friend introduced her to John Martello who was home on leave from the Army. They met on main street in Helena, had a date that evening which led to a year long courtship and eventual marriage on June 14, 1944. John and Jean were married for 74 years.

During the early years of their marriage they owned Martello's Root Beer Stand in Helena. Years later they built and operated the Hofbrau Bar and Restaurant also in Helena. While managing the Hofbrau they worked full time at Fort Harrison Veterans Hospital. Jean was a medical secretary that worked in the radiology and surgical departments. She was an active member of the Daughters of the Nile and the Oriental Band. Through this organization she focused on community service and helping children at the Shriners Hospitals.

Jean retired from the Veterans Hospital and enjoyed 30 years as a "snow bird." travel-



ing back and forth between Arizona and Montana. After retiring, she became an

accomplished golfer and on six different occasions scored a hole-in-one. Jean enjoyed life, family and friends. She took care of everyone's needs, often setting her own aside. She had boundless energy and a great sense of humor. Her children and grandchildren were the pride and joy of her life. The legacy of Jean's kind spirit and zest for life will be carried on through them. She was loved by many and will be greatly missed.

Jean was preceded in death by her parents, Janie and George Palmer; and son, Jeffrey Martello.

She is survived by her husband, John, of Kalispell; daughter, Janie Perkins (Thomas Roe Perkins), of Whitefish; grandchildren, Drew (Desiree) and their son Kashton Perkins of Benton City, Washington, and Amy Perkins of Bozeman. She is survived by two sisters, Jessie Nick and Wanda Williams; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Services will be held at 2 p.m. on Saturday, July 21, at Buffalo Hill Terrace in the Buffalo Room.

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

Robert 'Doc' L. Martens, 91

Funeral services for Dr. Robert "Doc" L. Martens, 91, of Glasgow, who passed away Nov. 13, 2018, at Valley View Home in Glasgow, will be held at 1 p.m. Nov. 17 at the First Lutheran Church with Pastor Todd Wright officiating. A reception will follow services and burial will be private.

Doc was born July 7, 1927, in Belle Fourche, South Dakota, to Louis and Mabel Martens. Doc completed his primary education in South Dakota while working the family's sheep farm, which prompted an extreme dislike of anything sheep related. Doc attended Northwestern University of Dentistry in Chicago, Class of 1954. He joined the Air Force, where he served in Alaska. Doc practiced dentistry for a short time in Bozeman, but made his home in Glasgow, where he practiced for over 45 years, including a church mission trip to Bolivia where he assisted the locals with dental care.

Doc met Helen while in Glasgow, they married in Helen's hometown in Farwell, Minnesota.



From their union they had four children. Doc and Helen loved

their time together, and were very involved in the First Lutheran Church in Glasgow.

His many hobbies over the years included obtaining his pilot's license, gardening, golfing, skiing, painting and quilting.

In his retirement, he enjoyed a good country dance, any card game he could participate in and traveling the world.

Survivors include his son, Robert Martens, of Kalispell; daughters, Mary (Frank) Martens-Phillips of Chicago, Julia (Kim) Martens of Glasgow; and grandson Hal Phillips of Chicago.

Doc was preceded in death by his parents; his wife Helen; his sister Margaret; and infant son Stephan.

Memorials can be made in Doc's name to Valley View Home, Prairie Ridge Village or the First Lutheran Church.

Beverley J. Martin, 76

Beverley J. (Clayton) Martin, age 76 of Whitefish, MT. Dearly beloved wife of Chuck Martin, devoted mother of Craig Martin (Amy) and Keith Martin (Lisa). Proud grandmother of Cade Martin, Brett Martin, Jack Martin and Ruthie Martin.

Beverley was preceded in death by her father, Lyman Clayton II, mother Marjorie Clayton and brother Lyman (Skip) Clayton III.

Beverley was born and raised in Wolf Point, MT. She married Chuck in 1967 and enjoyed 50 years of marriage. Bev attended Montana State University



Pittsburgh, PA. She was known for her radiant smile and everlasting friendships. Once someone met Bev they never forgot her. She was memorable.

Beverley was devoted to her grandchildren and deeply loved her family. Beverley enjoyed scrapping with friends and volunteering at the North Valley Foodbank in Whitefish. Bev also was a

and graduated from the Denver School of Nursing, Denver, CO.

Beverley raised her family in

hospice volunteer while living in Scottsdale, AZ.

Beverley fought a short battle with cancer. Despite her illness she remained positive and maintained extraordinary courage and grace. A private family service will be held at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, donations will be accepted to honor Beverley to the North Valley Foodbank, Whitefish, MT.

Condolences for the family may be submitted online on Beverley's webpage at www.austinfh.com. Austin Funeral & Cremation Services in Whitefish is caring for the family.

Elsie Martin, 78

Elsie Martin, 78, a 51-year resident of Columbia Falls and lifetime resident of Montana, passed away on Thursday, Aug. 23, 2018, in Salt Lake City, surrounded by family.

Mom was born Elsie Elaine Christie in 1940 to Laurence and Lorraine (Hilton) Christie in Bozeman. She grew up with her four siblings on the family dairy farm up Bridger Canyon just south of Bozeman.

She attended Lower Bridger school through the eighth grade, a little one-room school across from the family farm. She went to Bozeman High where she met the love of her life, Delbert Martin, and married in 1958. They began raising a family of four boys. She knew raising the boys wasn't going to be easy with Delbert away working road construction. Delbert trained as a welder and moved the family to Columbia Falls,



roots to this day.

Mom was a very hard working and loving farm wife, mother and grandmother. If there was something going on she was a part of it, be it work or play. She enjoyed many crafts, from baking to making candy, ceramics to woodworking, gardening to feeding her hummingbirds and chickadees. She was a 4-H leader, belonged to a women's hobby club, and got together weekly for breakfast at the Nite Owl with the girls. She worked in the Ruder cafeteria for a few years after giving up milking cows.

She was preceded in death by her parents, and

taking a job at the Anaconda Aluminum Plant. They bought 30 acres in 1967 and started their own farm, putting down deep

her siblings, Ernest, Sheila, Claudina and George.

Elsie is survived by her husband, Delbert; her children, Tom, Tim, Terry and wife Dana, and Tony and wife Sara; her grandchildren, Katrina and husband Chet Lamb, Travis and wife Michaela Martin, Bret Martin, Courtney Martin and partner Clint Miller, Casey Martin and Randy Martin. She also has five great-grandkids, Joe, Luke, Mady, Liv and Braedan.

A celebration of Elsie's life is going to be held at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 8, at the Flathead County Fairgrounds Expo Building with a luncheon will follow. Pastor Tim Bartholomew will officiate.

In lieu of flowers please make a donation in Elsie's name to a charity of your choice.

Darlington Cremation and Burial Service is caring for Elsie's family.

Stan Martin, 46

On Nov. 7, 2018, Pastor Stan Martin, also known as the "Powerlifting Preacher," went home to be with his Saviour after a long battle with leukemia. Stan was a loving son, husband, father, pastor, and friend. He will always be loved and remembered by his wife and best friend, Sharon, their precious daughters Karly, Tiffany, and Brianna, and his parents Craig and Louise Martin. Stan will also be forever remembered by his extended family, church family and friends.

Stan was born and raised in California. He played football, was a powerlifter, and worked in video production. In 2001, after the death of his grandmother, Stan realized he was not certain of his eternal security;



he didn't know where he would go when he died. Not long after this while living with

his Christian friend he asked Jesus into his heart and secured his home in heaven. After a year of growing in the Lord and learning the Bible he became the youth pastor at Fundamental Baptist Church in Ventura, California. He then spent the next 10 years preaching to teenagers and showing them Christ's love. He saw the Lord change many young lives during those years.

In December of 2011, God called Stan and his family to Kalispell to be the pastor of Victory

Baptist Church. During the past seven years he had served his church family faithfully. He devoted countless hours in prayer, counseling and sermon preparation so that many could be saved, and lives could be changed. He was not only their pastor but also their friend. He invested his life into others and into the cause of Christ. He truly was a man that lived what he professed to believe. A man after God's own heart.

Stan was not only a pastor but he also was a wonderful husband and father. He showed his love for his family by spending time talking with them, playing with them, and just loving them. There were many hiking and camping trips, day drives, game nights,

and movies. He will always be in their hearts and he is greatly missed. Life will never be the same without his smile, laugh, and love. Heaven is sounding sweeter all the time.

We will be celebrating Stan's life at 11 a.m. on Nov. 17 at Victory Baptist Church in Evergreen, located at 1830 Montana Highway 35. A reception will follow. Burial will take place at Fairview Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, please donate the money to the missionaries of Victory Baptist Church.

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.

Kristi Massey, 42

Kristi Massey, age 42, of Kalispell passed away at her home suddenly on Sunday, Aug. 19th. She is survived by her parents Ty and Sandy, her sister Amber and her extended family and friends. She was a long time member of the Flathead Spay and Neuter Task Force and was very involved with helping veterans.

Please join us for a memorial get-together that will be held at the Flathead Spay and Neuter Task Force at 3491 Trumble Creek Road, Columbia Falls, MT 59912 on Saturday, Sept. 1 from noon to 4 p.m. Please bring a favorite picture or write down a favorite memory



and a pet food donation.

In lieu of flowers please send donations to the

Flathead Spay and Neuter Task Force or the Veterans Food Pantry.

A scholarship fund is also being created in her name to help future E.M.T. candidates pay for their classes. Every time you see a dog wag its tail or hear a cat purr, think of Kristi!

Darlington Cremation and Burial Service is caring for Kristi's family.

Frank Edwin Mast, 90

Frank Edwin Mast was born Nov. 3, 1928 in White Sulphur Springs, MT, and passed away at North Valley Hospital on December 28, 2018 from complications of old age.

Frank moved to the Flathead Valley when he just a baby on the trip to Kalispell. He broke his bottle on the train and the conductor found an old whiskey bottle and his mother fed him with that. The family eventually settled on a farm just west of Creston.

In 1952 he married Erma Maurer and to this union were born two children; Darrel Frank and Marilyn Nadine.



Frank and Erma eventually divorced. In addition to farming dad held a number of jobs during his lifetime, including working at rock quarries in Gardiner, MT and Northport, WA. He operated a lunch catering truck in Spokane, WA for 13 years.

In 1989 Frank moved back to the Flathead Valley where he married the love of his life and the woman he always said "saved his life," a widow named Donna

Hamilton.

Together Donna and Frank shared 29 years together until Donna passed away in 2016. Together Dad and Donna traveled to many places together including Texas, Arizona, Maryland, Oregon, Pennsylvania and Hawaii.

They bowled together at Columbia Lanes and in their 70s they took up golf. Dad also loved gardening.

For many years Dad was known best for his Grandpa's Mustard, as his old family recipe pleased the palates of many who bought the yellow goodness at the

farmers markets in Bigfork, Columbia Falls and Kalispell.

He was an excellent carpenter and only five years ago rebuilt his front steps putting in a wheelchair ramp. He loved his dogs through the years including Buttons, Princess, King and Buddy.

He was also a huge Seattle Mariners fan and rarely missed watching a game during the summer. He had a gift for remembering stories and especially jokes and often had the room laughing.

He was preceded in death by his parents,

daughter-in-law, Lori Hamilton of Missoula, MT along with several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Burial has already taken place but a memorial service is being planned for a time convenient to the family and an announcement will be made at that time.

Please omit flowers but cards and memories are appreciated. The family wishes to especially thank the staff at North Valley Hospital for their tender care.

Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls is caring for the family.

Silas and Elma Mast, sisters Martha Boss and Pricilla Buller, stepson Aaron Hamilton and stepdaughter Kathy Miller. He is survived by two brothers Myron Mast of Creston, Larry Mast of Lindale, Texas and sister Naomi Kauffman of Kalispell.

He is also survived his son Darrel Mast (Esther) of Lancaster, PA, a daughter Marilyn Green (Barry) of Glendive, MT, stepdaughters Alfreda Piland of Columbia Falls, Susan Daniel of Spokane, WA, stepsons Rick Miller of Bigfork, MT, and Randy Miller of Ann Arbor, MI, and step

Judy Ann (Krieg) Mathews, 71

Judy Ann (Krieg) Mathews, 71, of Columbia Falls, passed away suddenly on Jan. 8, 2018.

Judy was born Nov. 4, 1946, in Granite Falls, Washington, to Frank and Stella (Tri) Deschner. She graduated from Granite Falls High School in 1964.

Judy was a loving, passionate woman, very devoted to God and her family. She lived on 7.5 acres at the base of Columbia Mountain. She loved living there with her husband of 18 years, Ellery, her daughter Kathy, son-in-law Dennis, and her grandchildren, Alex, Jordan and MegAnn. They lovingly referred to their household as "The Compound."

Judy was everybody's Grandma, Gma, Nana or "G-G." She loved them all the same, whether they were her grandchild or not. Nothing could make her smile brighter, than seeing one of the kids and being with her family and friends. She was also "Mom" and mentor to more than just her own children. She touched many lives, spreading an abundance of love and wisdom over her years.

Judy was preceded in death by her mother, Stella Krieg, her son Michael Vincent, Jr., her brother Larry Krieg,



and her previous husband David Faulkner.

She is survived by her loving

husband, Ellery "Matt" Mathews; father, George Krieg; three sons, Robert Faulkner, Steve Faulkner, and Matt Vincent (Pamela); daughter, Kathy Emerson (Dennis); stepchildren, Ellen Luke (Dave), Duane Mathews (Julie), and Donald Mathews; sisters, Lyla Bostick and Marla Koski (Randy); brother, Rondey Krieg (Debbie); and numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, the family and Judy would love it if you would donate to "Hope is Here" through the Hope Church. These donations help the under privileged children in our community. Please mail donations to Hope Church at 436 Birch Grove Road, Kalispell, MT 59901 or online at www.hopechurchmt.com (under "giving" choose "Hope is Here" under the drop down).

A memorial service to celebrate Judy's life will be at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, Jan. 21, at Hope Church in Kalispell.

Evelyn Mattheisen, 95

Evelyn Mattheisen passed away on June 6, 2018, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center surrounded by her family.

She was born on Aug. 20, 1922, to Val and Alice Zimmerman and grew up on the dairy farm in Creston.

She married Griffin Mattheisen on Sept. 10, 1943. They spent their married life in Columbia Falls until moving to Kalispell in 1991. Mom returned to Columbia Falls following Dad's death in 2004 and then moved to Buffalo Hill Terrace in December 2013.

Mom was very active at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Columbia Falls, teaching Sunday School and, in later years, quilting every Wednesday. On Tuesdays she made quilts for the Church Women United at the Klothes Kloset. She also made many quilts and blankets for family and friends. She was most proud of the flannel baby blankets she made which became the "favorite blankie" for many little ones.

Mom was preceded in death by her parents, Val and Alice Zimmerman, her husband Griffin Mattheisen, and many friends and



family members.

She is survived by two daughters, Karen and Jim

Flaherty of Kalispell, and Connie and Dan Jimmerson of Columbia Falls; two grandchildren, Skeeter and Jennifer Eckelberry of Rock Springs, Wyoming, and Jessica and Kyle Formhals of Columbia Falls. She is also survived by five great-grandchildren, Taylor, Brady, Haylee, Jaylee Madison and Kaitlyn. She is also survived by one sister, Jean and Farley Grainger; and two brothers, Raymond Zimmerman, and Allen and Nancy Zimmerman. She also leaves behind many other friends and relatives.

We would like to thank the special people at Buffalo Hill Terrace for the wonderful care and friendship they provided for Mom for the last four years.

There will be a memorial service at 11 a.m. on Saturday, June 30, at Woodlawn Cemetery in Columbia Falls. A luncheon will follow at The Back Room.

Leonard C. Matson, 80

Leonard C. Matson passed away peacefully on June 6, 2018, after a long, hard-fought battle with Parkinson's and malignant colorectal cancer.

Len was born on Sept. 1, 1937, to Leonard and Mae Matson in Irvine, California. Len graduated from Claremont Men's College and then spent three years in the Army in Korea. He married prior to leaving for Korea and eventually had three children, Scott, Greg and Mary Kay, with his first wife.

In 1972, Len was hired by an overseas oil conglomerate in the Persian Gulf and worked on-shore and off-shore in the oilfield business, where he later met Ilona "Sam," who was working for one of the oil companies. Sam and Len married in Dubai, United Arab Emirates, in 1976. They spent many years traveling the world in conjunction with his



work in the oil patch. That marriage was witnessed by many lifelong friends.



In 1999, they moved to Lakeside to live out their retirement years.

Len is survived by his wife, Ilona; his three children, Scott Matson, Greg Matson and Mary Kay Malas; plus seven grandchildren and one great-granddaughter, and his close friends, the Stimpson family.

According to Len's wishes, there will be no service. Len has been cremated and will remain with Sam until her time comes, after which they will be together forever at a favorite mountain lake, nearby.

Shannon Sakura Mayhan, 11

Shannon Sakura Mayhan, just 11 years old, passed away in the loving arms of her mother and father, surrounded by family in her home on July 11, 2018. Shannon's passing comes just shy of one year after being diagnosed with DIPG, a rare form of childhood brain cancer.

Shannon was a Flathead native, born Dec. 2, 2006, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center to Elizabeth Shupert and Joseph Mayhan. Shannon was raised by Elizabeth and Luke Coyle here in Kalispell since she was 17 months old. She attended Helena Flats School since kindergarten.

Shannon's personality was larger than life, and she had a smile that could light up a room to go with it. Her beauty, witty humor, charm, playfulness, but mostly her compassion, gave Shannon an amazing ability to connect with people. We knew early on Shannon loved making new friends, and her crop is bountiful, the harvest great. Shannon's love has blessed this family, our community, and our lives with endless opportunities for new friendships and glorious new beginnings with the seeds she has planted.

Shannon loved foremost her family, was a loving daughter, granddaughter, attentive sister, caring niece and cousin. She always respected her role as the oldest sibling, and was a remarkable big sister. Her favorite thing above all things were sleepovers with Grandma



to break down barriers in her way.

Shannon loved the Flathead Valley and all that is

Montana — except the hunting, although, despite her love of animals, we think she secretly wanted to try it. She loved to go fishing with her dad, as long as the fish were biting. Shannon loved unicorns (!) and everything that sparkles! Mom made preparations, there was practice, travel, dress up, and beauty pageants! Precious moments for a mother and daughter — Dad and brothers tagged along, but for Shannon this was all about Mom. Oh, and the friends, again, so many friends. She was a big, shining star, with a sparking smile, outgoing, professional and a stage presence that could have taken her a mile. She had won many crowns, but what made us glimmer with pride, was when she stood up and performed comedy and made people laugh; that was her true nature inside. Shannon enjoyed staying active. She participated in Girl Scouts, dance, gymnastics, softball, basketball and volleyball.

One year ago, on this very day, Shannon was diagnosed with DIPG, an inoperable, terminal brain tumor intertwined within her brainstem. Shannon returned home from a six-week radiation treatment with a determination we had never seen before. Despite her

approached each new challenge she would face.

"Our dearest Shannon: You have brought a light to this world that can not be extinguished, leaving behind a legacy of memories that will outlive our time and impact the lives of many. Our hearts are forever grateful for the love and friendships we share. We are so very proud of you, the way you lived, and the battle you fought. We love you so much Shannon, 'Well done.'"

Father's prayer:
"Heavenly Father, I thank you Lord, for sending this angel, that was my little girl, and tell her thank you for all she's left me, and what she has taught me about this world. Let her know the peace I feel, though deep amidst her wake, because she drew me near to you, this pain I can now sustain. Tell her that I promise, with every beat of my aching heart, I will listen to your direction, so this is the last time we will part. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Shannon was preceded in death by great-grandparents, Cora and Raymond Shupert; uncles, Don and Jess Shupert; great-great-uncle, Mike Anderson; and great-great-aunt, Helen Healton.

Shannon is survived by her parents, Luke and Elizabeth Coyle; broth-

ers, Quincy, 8, and Riley, 4; great-grandmother, Carolyn Robinson; grandparents, John and Bonnie Shupert; uncles, Butch and Joe Shupert; aunt, Susan Robinson; uncle, Bill, and aunt, Rose; all of her cousins, in-laws and friends.

A celebration of Shannon's life will take place at 11 a.m. on Monday, July 16, at Trinity Lutheran Church. There will be public viewing time beginning at 9 a.m. Please join the procession to Darlington's Funeral Home immediately following the ceremony.

Darlington Cremation and Burial Service is caring for Shannon's family.

Gifts or donations can be directed to the Darlington Cremation and Burial Service or visit www.pleasehelpshannon.com

and Grandpa. The shopping, baking, "d-i-y" projects, and the simple time spent made her bounce with joy. Shannon enjoyed planning family gatherings, visitors, vacations, and trips out to her uncle's place.

Friends were Shannon's passion in life and we believe maybe her purpose. She enjoyed being a kid and doing things kids do, but she loved to share that joy with others, and it didn't seem to matter with whom. Her friends range from old to young, large to small, and everything in between. She sought to love the person inside us all and she held everyone equally close to her heart. There was even a special place she kept for those with whom she struggled at times, and she never lost hope of finding a way

struggle with symptoms, Shannon returned to school, played basketball on the girls' fifth and sixth grade basketball team at Helena Flats School, and competed in multiple beauty pageants. By now, Shannon had gained the support of an entire community that extended beyond boundaries and carried out into the world. Sadly, after just six short months, Shannon had to return to Denver for further radiation treatment. No hope for a cure, just eight more weeks of managed symptoms. Shannon missed the end of basketball season and most of the end of the school year, but her courage and resolve were impenetrable. She pressed forward like a warrior, fought with dignity and grace, and showed her faith with the way she

Anthony 'Tony' McArter, 62

Anthony died at his home in Columbia Falls on Oct. 25, 2018.

He was born July 4, 1956, in Tucson, Arizona, to Jack and Freda McArter and grew up in Nicholasville, Kentucky.

Tony served in the U.S. Army as an LPN from 1977 until retiring in 1995.

Tony's greatest joy was his family, and he



spent many hours coaching youth sports, leading clubs scouts, judging speech and debate meets and joining the Montana Civil Air Patrol. He gave generously his time and experience to young people, friends, and family

his whole life. He had many ranks, titles and degrees in his life, but the one he was most proud of was Grandpa.

Tony is survived by his wife Sandra of Columbia Falls, daughter Jennifer (Ricky) of Carriere, Mississippi, daughter Sarah (Nikhil) Kamat of Columbia Falls, and son Richard (Alexa)

of Denver; and nine grandchildren.

Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 3, at Columbia Mortuary. A reception will follow at the Columbia Falls Senior Center.

Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls is caring for the family.

Bruce McAtee, 69

On Sunday, Nov. 18, 2018, Bruce McAtee, father of three children, passed away at the age of 69 after putting up a near 30-year battle with Parkinson's Disease. He leaves behind a legacy of selflessness and fearlessness.

Gerald Bruce McAtee, known to his friends and family as "Bruce," was born on Jan. 20, 1949 in Cutler, Ohio. He was the son of Gerald and Maxine McAtee. Bruce was the oldest of five. His sisters and brothers include: Lynda Lysaght, Dina Watson, Mark McAtee and Daniel McAtee. Bruce attended Warren High School and was a 1967 graduate. Bruce was an accomplished athlete playing football and baseball. Bruce went to college on a football scholarship. Bruce attended college at Ohio University in Athens, Ohio. His field of study was in forestry.

Bruce had dreams of living and working in the mountains and wilds and fulfilled this by



eventually moving to Montana. Bruce started his career as a seasonal for the Forest

Service in 1968 on the Flathead Interregional Fire Suppression Crew. After two summers he was promoted to squad boss and after five years as a seasonal he took over the "Hotshots" as the crew boss, a position he held for 20 years. He later became the assistant fire management officer on the Flathead National Forest then Overhead Team as a fuels and safety specialist. If there was ever a man born for a job it was Bruce McAtee. Throughout his career with the Forest Service, his co-workers and fire crew members were his "other family." He dearly loved them and two summers ago he was honored during the "Hot Shot 50 year Reunion." It was one of the greatest memories

of his life.

Bruce lived in West Glacier and Columbia Falls most of his life, with a few years spent in Kalispell and Bigfork.

He was the father of Amber Morgan McAtee, Richard Ryan McAtee, and Vanessa Fae McAtee. Bruce was a committed and active participant in his children's lives as a baseball coach and avid sports fan. He was the grandfather to Gabriella Pallister, Zerita McAtee, Anna Pallister, Hope McAtee, Liam Pallister, and Zarek Pallister.

Bruce had a passion for the outdoors, he was an avid treasure hunter scouring the earth for precious metals and stones or stooping over a stream panning for gold. He was an adventurer and loved being in the forest looking for huckleberries, roaming the hills for elk, or sitting by the campfire with family and friends strumming his guitar.

Bruce was preceded in death by his father,

Gerald; his mother, Maxine; and his daughter, Amber. He is survived by his son Richard McAtee (wife Marcey) of West Glacier; daughter Vanessa Pallister (husband Cody) of Thompson Falls; his sisters, his brothers, and his grandchildren.

A celebration of Bruce's life will be held in the summer of 2019. John Muir stated, "The mountains are calling and I must go." Bruce heard that call and never looked back, he was a man whom lived a life of adventure, friendship, humor, and love.

John K. McBride, 90

John K. McBride, 90, died on Sunday, March 11, 2018, at his home in Libby of natural causes.

He was born on Jan. 30, 1928, in Fort Totten, New York, to John and Dorothy (nee Kenly) McBride.

John served in the Army Artillery Infantry and was honorably discharged in 1948 as a corporal. He graduated from the University of Maine in 1952 and received a Bachelor of Science in Forest Management degree. He worked in private industry with J. Neils Lumber Company, St. Regis Paper Company and Champion International.

He moved to Libby in 1952 and built his house, with Carolyn. Together they raised children, taught Hunter Safety for 40 years, and worked on the family land, "The Walker Tract" in Troy.

John was a devoted family man and a good friend, tree farmer, horse lover, gun collector, military historian, and a consummate storyteller with a great and dry sense of humor. He loved to teach — forestry with the sixth graders and new teacher's tours of the woods, and Civil War history classes in schools.

He worked hard and had a knack of turning work into fun.

He was preceded in death by his mother Dorothy K. McBride, his father John McBride,



his brother James McBride, and an infant son, Jeffrey Gordon.

Survivors include his wife of 65 years, Carolyn McBride, of Libby;

children, Dorothy McBride of Libby, Karyn Larsen of Libby, John S. McBride of Redmond Oregon, and Janet Kvernvik of Petersburg, Alaska. Grandchildren include Jeremy Bowker, Taska Larsen, Amber Larsen, Kaylee Hammond, Keegan McBride, Carolyn Kvernvik and Adanna Kvernvik. Great-grandchildren include Ariana Hammond, Aidan Hammond, Kenly McBride and Kai McBride. He leaves many good friends, and beloved dog, Corky.

A community celebration of life for all who knew John will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. the evening of Friday, March 16, at the Ponderosa Room, Libby City Hall. A family celebration of life will be held in July in Troy at the family cabin.

Arrangements are by Schnackenberg & Nelson Funeral Home in Libby. Online condolences and memories may be made at www.schnackenberg-fh.com.

Phyllis Jane (Ripatte) McCarthy, 86

furniture and picture frames in Kalispell. You may have items in your home sold to you by Phyllis.

No formal services have been planned. 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.

has lived in the Flathead Valley since then.

Phyllis was a true right-brained artist. She loved gifting her family and friends with original watercolor art. Music was always a big part of her life — singing and playing the piano, directing the church choir, and occasionally performing in musicals.

She was well known for selling jewelry and

in 1952 and they had three children, Nancy, Janice and Shannon, in three consecutive years, all born in September. Ten years later, Mary was born, also in September. In 1959, the McCarthy family moved to Somers and Phyllis



Phyllis Jane (Ripatte) McCarthy, 86, passed away peacefully on Nov. 30, 2018, surrounded by her family, which includes four children, 13 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Phyllis was born in Lake City, Michigan, in 1932, the youngest of three children. She married Jack McCarthy

William Baxter McCleskey, 77

William Baxter McCleskey, at 77 years of age, peacefully passed on to "greener pastures" March 31, 2018.

Bill was born Aug. 17, 1940, in Kingman, Arizona, to Charles Westley McCleskey and Helen Elizabeth Farley. Bill spent time traveling with the family to California and then at age 13 he moved to Opportunity, Montana, where he attended Anaconda High School, graduated in 1959 and enlisted in the U.S. Navy. Bill worked on the ships in the radio shack and in Guam. While serving time on Guam he

played for the Navy football team.

Bill was discharged from the Navy at the end of 1963 and married Marlene Joyce Bucholz on June 27, 1964. Bill then attended Western Montana University in Dillon, playing football, basketball and baseball and graduated in 1968.

After graduation, Bill was hired in Columbia Falls to teach algebra, geometry, trigonometry, computer programming, and driver's education at Columbia Falls High School from 1968 to 1994. Bill enjoyed coaching football and basketball and was an avid outdoorsman. One of his favorite jobs was working in Glacier Park during the summers. After they retired, Bill and Marlene

journeyed to Arizona each winter as snow



birds and enjoyed their summers back in Montana.

Bill is survived by his wife Marlene, and their three children, Kari,

Kris, and Mike. They have five grandchildren, Brendon, Jaelyn, Emily, Anna and Katelynn. He is also survived by his son-in-law, Gordy McCaig; two daughters-in-law, Jennifer McCleskey and Windy McCleskey; sister and brother-in-law, Shirley and Jim Pettigrew; and sister and brother-in-law, Evelyn and Bob Brockman.

Bill was preceded in death by his father Charles McCleskey, mother Helen Farley, stepmother Mildred McCleskey, and son Bradley McCleskey.

The family will be having a celebration of life ceremony at 11 a.m. Thursday, April 4, at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Columbia Falls, followed with a reception.

In lieu of flowers the family asks for donations to be made in his name to the ALS (arterial lateral sclerosis) Foundation, Frontier Hospice,

Wildcat endowment, or Our Savior's Lutheran Church.

Susan McCuin, 52

Susan Kimberly Custer McCuin passed away on Aug. 8, 2018, in Kalispell.

She was born in Missoula on July 19, 1966. In her childhood years, she attended schools in the Missoula County Public School system, including Sentinel and Big Sky.

After high school, Sue moved to Seattle where she spent many years and had occupations in modeling, retail and construction. In 1998, she returned to Missoula where she began a successful career in sales. She thrived with her proximity to her family, including her grandmother, mother, sister and brother-in-law, niece and nephew.

In 2002, her work took Sue to Kalispell where she met her future husband, Brian McCuin. After falling in love, they married on July 8, 2005, at St. Matthew's Church. Together, Sue and Brian enjoyed traveling, attending Griz football games, singing karaoke and spending time with family and friends.

Business successes allowed Sue the opportunity to travel extensively and enjoy world-renowned fishing, one of her passions. She also enjoyed gardening and took meticulous care of her impressive flower garden. Sue loved and spoiled her pets, Gypsy, Rodney, Patti and Daisy, beyond description. She was a kind, honest, genuine person who

truly cherished giving more than receiving. Unequaled were Sue's generosity and vibrance; her laugh could fill any room and open any door. Sue's smile, compassion and humor were contagious and could brighten anyone's day. Inside and out, Sue was beautiful, with a kind heart and an old soul. Her greatest gift was her innate ability to love everyone, unconditionally. She will be deeply missed by all who were blessed to know her.

Susan is survived by her husband, Brian; her parents, Elaine Custer of Missoula, and Bob and Sherry Custer of Bonney Lake, Washington; her sister and brother-in-law, Cathy and Alan Powell of Missoula; her brother, Brian Custer, and his partner, Rob Osler, of San Francisco; her niece, Ashley McGrath (Carter), of Helena; her nephew, Tyler Powell, of Missoula; her uncle, Roger Biniek (Nancy), of Cut Bank; father-in-law, Terry McCuin, of Kalispell; and nephew, Bradley McCuin, of Phoenix.

A rosary service will be held at 7 p.m. Aug. 17 at St. Matthew's Church in Kalispell. A celebration of life will be held at 11 a.m. on Aug. 18 at the Buffalo Hill Funeral Home in Kalispell.

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.

Anita J. McDonald, 67

Anita J. McDonald of Eureka passed away on June 5, 2018, at the age of 67.

Anita was born in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, on Sept. 30, 1950. Anita's favorite place was her grandparents' home on the rim rock in Idaho. Anita went to school in Spirit Lake Idaho and Eureka, Montana.

Anita married her best friend and love of her life, Leo McDonald, Aug. 2, 1971. The marriage bonded together with their family of four including Anita's daughters, from a previous marriage. When they were settled into their daily routine, they decided to add another child to complete the zoo animals they proudly called, the McDonald girls.

Anita believed there was no job she and her family couldn't do, includ-



ing logging, haying, bookkeeping, wall-papering, gardening, house-keeping, cooking and volunteering. Often, she talked her family and friends into helping with most tasks, eventually turning into charades of laughter, tears and shenanigans. Precarious ladders with strips of wallpaper, plungers and basements, tipped hay bales, road trips, and sewing forays are among the many stories remembered fondly by friends and family.

Anita loved to create with stained glass, ceramics, cook, sew, camp, hunt and fish. She was lucky enough to receive not one, but two moose tags for the Big Hole Valley.

Annual trips to Dillon were often crowded with grandchildren, family and friends.

Anita stood proudly at barely five feet tall, but as her girls grew, her size was often a disadvantage.

Requests to go places, especially spontaneous requests for ice cream trips would end up with her daughters not taking no for an answer. But alas, by the time we got her dressed, combed her hair, and put her purse on her arm, placed her in the driver's seat of her car and carefully seat belted her in, she had chosen to drive rather than have any of her unlicensed daughters.

Anita will be sadly missed by her husband, Leo McDonald; her daughters and their spouses, Susan and Tim Temple of Eureka, Charie and Floyd Carvey of Libby, and

Diane and Steve Warren of Missoula.

Her greatest treasures in life were her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Her grandchildren are Colter Dickinson, Jacob Dickinson and Kelsey Edwards, Timothy Carvey, Emily Carvey, Danika Schiele and Jared Incoronato, Lacey Schiele, Trenton Tempel, Kaden Tempel, Hannah Kincheloe, Tyler Warren and Brett Campbell, Zachary and Stephanie Kincheloe, Amanda Warren and Madalyn Warren. Her great-grandchildren are Zoe Schiele, Kyla Dickinson, Carter Campbell, Addison Campbell and Cole Incoronato.

Her family includes brothers Alan and Randy Dalby, and a sister AuraLee Davis, aunt, Arlene Galovic, and uncle, Bill Moore; and

many numerous nieces, nephews, family and friends.

She was preceded in death by her beloved son, granddaughters and mother; Leo Allan Jr., baby girl Schiele, Danika Marie Schiele, and Susan Elizabeth

Schiele, and Mary Holly, Sister Shirley Dalby, and grandparents George and Margaret Moore.

The service will be held at 1 p.m. June 12 at the Lutheran Church in Creston, Montana, 5447 Montana 35, Kalispell.

Robert 'Bob' Neal McDonald, 90

Robert "Bob" Neal McDonald, 90, passed away unexpectedly on Thursday, Oct. 11, 2018, at the Kalispell Regional Medical Center.

He was born on Nov. 17, 1927, in Casper, Wyoming, to Paul and Thelma McDonald. During Bob's childhood he lived in Tulsa, Oklahoma, graduating from Tulsa Central High School before entering the U.S. Coast Guard in 1945. After the war ended, he continued to serve his country in the military Color Guard in Washington, D.C., at Arlington Cemetery and the nation's capitol. He received an honorable discharge on May 21, 1946, and returned to Tulsa to take his first job as a printing equipment salesman for Addressograph-Multigraph while attending college at the University of Tulsa.

Bob was told by his mentor to head toward the smokestacks, leading him to become a sales and marketing pioneer for the then nascent steel building business of the early 1950s. He first trav-



eled the world as a sales and marketing executive for Butler Buildings of Kansas City. Following 15 years with Butler, he co-purchased American Buildings of Eufaula, Alabama, through a leveraged buyout, which his team ultimately sold through a novel Oppenheimer Trust transaction. He then consulted to the industry, and sat on the board of NCI Building Systems, Inc. (NYSE: NCS) during its growth years as a public company.

Bob was an avid fisherman, hunter, outdoorsman and nature lover. He fished the world over, using every type of tackle and gear imaginable. During his spare time off from American Buildings in Eufaula, he melded his passion for fishing with his sales and marketing expertise to

develop the Humminbird fish-finder sonar product, while founding and launching his company, Techsonic Industries, in 1971. By successfully growing the market for electronic fish-finders, and taking major market shares from Lowrance Electronics, Bob liquefied his Techsonic ownership through an IPO. He considered this his greatest professional accomplishment and, to this day, Techsonic remains a dominant competitor in its business.

Bob led a rich family life. After his Coast Guard service, he married Mary Estelle Latshaw (Botz) in Tulsa. They soon had a son, Sterling Harold McDonald, who now lives with his wife Risa Taub McDonald in Houston and Park City, Utah. They have two daughters and two granddaughters from a prior marriage, all of which live in the Kansas City area. In the mid-'50s, Bob was remarried to Louise Bushman in Kansas City. He adopted Louise's two children, Randy and Linda, and

soon bore a daughter, Karen. Randy McDonald and his daughter live in Marin County, California. Linda McDonald Waters lives in the KC area with her husband, Andy. They have two sons, a daughter and two grandchildren. Karen McDonald Bogenholm lives with her husband, Carl, near Atlanta. They have two sons.

Nearing retirement, Bob acquired property on the Bighorn River near Hardin, Montana, and built a log cabin replica of his paternal grandparents' homestead in Sumatra, Montana. He divided his time among Hardin, Bigfork and Mazatlan, Mexico. In 1997 he married Margie Drew Gildart, settling in Bigfork and Green Valley, Arizona. Margie has two children, five grandchildren and one great-grandchild, all living nearby in the Flathead Valley.

A celebration of life will be held June 1, 2019, at the Bigfork Harbor Clubhouse.

Bob's charity of choice is the Flathead Lake Biological Station.

RONALD N. MCCULLY, 45

July 25, 2018 at 5:00 am |

Ronald N. McCully, 45, passed away at this home in Martin City on June 25, 2018.



He attended and graduated from Columbia Falls High School.

Ron worked for Weyerhaeuser, formerly known as Plum Creek Lumber, for 27 years.

Ron's passion in life was hunting and fishing with his best friend Tom Hillard and wife Cathy. He lived to hunt.

Ron was loved by everyone he met. So many wonderful people had helped Ron through his stay in the hospital and his time at home; our family wants to thank all of you who tried so hard to support him.

Ronald was preceded in death by his sister, Billie Sue; grandmother, Billie Berry; grandparents, Bud and Charlene McCully; aunt, Mary Libby; cousin, Geri Libby; and his uncle, Bob Kloteze.

Ronald is survived by his parents, Kenneth and Linda McCully, of Martin City; brother, Curt Leverette, of Hysham, Montana; brother, Philip Carroll, of Havre; sons, Bryan and Branden McCully, both of Martin City; nephew, Kenneth L. McCully, of Martin City; and many cousins, aunts and uncles.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. on July 28 at Emery Bay on the Hungry Horse Reservoir.

Columbia Mortuary is caring for the family.

Danny Dale McEntire, 73

Danny McEntire passed away Sept. 5, 2018, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center.

He was born on May 29, 1945, in Whittier, California, to Alfred and Jessie Fay McEntire. At the age of 13, he and his family settled in Hamilton, Montana. He attended Darby School and soon began his affiliation with the timber industry. Dan worked at a local mill and logging company in the Bitterroot Valley.

In 1965, his cousin's fiancée introduced Dan to her roommate, Diane Sorenson. It was a whirlwind courtship that lasted a lifetime. Dan and Diane were married on Dec. 30, 1965, in Whitefish at Christ Lutheran Church. Their marriage of 52 years was blessed with three children. Patty, Wayne and Tim were Dan's pride and joy. Although his work required much of his time, he never missed Patty's band concerts, Wayne's theater productions or Tim's football games. Spring vacations were spent traveling by car to Disneyland, the ocean, zoos, historical points and the desert in Yermo, California, where he spent some of his childhood years.

Dan began working for Royal Logging in Columbia Falls in 1966. As the logging division of Plum Creek became the hub of the timber industry, he moved up in the company quickly and was logging foreman when the division was closed in the spring of 1987. Dan seized the opportunity to immediately start his own company, Stillwater Logging Company Inc. With the support of his family, Dan worked hard and the company's success was the result. Dan valued and respected his employees and felt it took teamwork to accom-



plish each project. Dan always believed that he needed to work with his employees on the job and would never ask them to do something that he wouldn't do himself. In 1996, his son Tim began working with Dan. They worked well together side by side for years with Tim assuming leadership as Dan's health failed.

Dan loved all animals and always had a dog by his side or on his lap. His fondness for animals ranged from rescuing a bald eagle stuck in barbwire to bringing abandoned baby bunnies home so they didn't die in the woods. Dan loved to fish with his family and even towards his last days, was looking forward to catching some cutthroats.

He was a wonderful husband and father and treated everyone he met with kindness and respect. Dan felt blessed to be baptized, confirmed and married in the Lutheran Church as his faith was always important to him.

He was preceded in death by his father, Alfred; twin brother, Stanley; mother, Jessie Fay; sister, Linda; and brother, Steven.

He is survived by wife, Diane; daughter, Patty; son, Wayne; and son, Tim, and wife, Liz, and the light of his life, granddaughter, Maria; and numerous sisters-in-law, brothers-in-law, nieces, nephews and cousins.

Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 8, at Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Kalispell. Visitation will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. today, Sept. 7, at Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home.

THOMAS ELDON MCFARLAND, 87

March 18, 2018 at 5:00 am /

Tom was born May 22, 1930, to LeRoy (Packy) and Sylvia McFarland in Bloomfield, Nebraska. He attended a one-room rural school. As a teenager he worked for various farmers and drove a truck for his brother in Kellerton, Iowa.

On Sept. 27, 1951, he married the neighbor girl, Ardis Tweedy. Knowing he would be answering Uncle Sam's "Greetings" the following week, he said to wedding guests, "If you're ever in New York, or California, or Korea stop in and see me sometime." Tom then added, "I tried to enlist before the war but they said I had flat feet and double vision; once the war broke out they didn't look at my feet or my eyes."

Tom proudly served in the United States Marine Corps, which included a 12-month tour of duty in Korea. He was a 1st machine gunner in the 5th Marine Division during the war. In June of '52 he received the Purple Heart for wounds received in action. He completed his tour of duty then returned stateside to Camp Pendleton where he was joined by Ardis and served as an M.P. at the gate. He was honorably discharged in October of '53.

Upon completing his service to his country, Tom returned to Nebraska where he farmed briefly with his older brothers. In 1954 Tom and Ardis welcomed the arrival of their first child, Michael. In the spring of '57 the family moved to Denver where Tom worked in home construction. Tom and a partner formed their own company, R&T Construction. They specialized in building homes and apartments until 1969.

During their 12 years in Denver, Tom and Ardis welcomed two more children, Jeannie and Jeffrey, into their family. Making the decision to leave Denver, they followed the advice of a neighbor and made a trip to the Flathead Valley. They came, they liked what they saw and two weeks later made the move.

Once settled, Tom joined with Dale Schulz to form Brickwood Construction. Later Tom would join with his son Mike to form McFarland Construction. Over a 14-year period of building in the valley Tom left a legacy of homes and commercial structures that serve as reminders of his skills to this day.

In 1980, Tom, along with his wife and son Jeff, started a small dairy operation. They milked 50 to 80 head of Holsteins for the next 17 years, retiring the herd in 1997. When asked what he was going to do next Tom replied, "I think I'll hit the road and see if there is anything south of Lakeside."

Tom spent his retirement years doing the things he loved most, watching his eight grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren grow (with a ninth due in April), attending more football, baseball, softball, basketball, swimming and soccer events than one can count. He visited with friends (he never met a stranger) and kept a few head of livestock around to occupy his time.

Tom will be remembered for his love of family, sense of humor, gift of gab and sparkle of mischief in his brilliant blue eyes.

Tom left this world, surrounded by loved ones, on Monday, March 12, 2018. He will be fondly remembered and



greatly missed.



Tom was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Burt (Margaret) and Ray (Eileen); sisters, Ellen (Arthur) Driver, Dorothy (Earl) Sherman, Cleo (Herman) Wenke, and Opal (Moritz) McShannon; and brother in-law, Doyle Jones; father- and mother-in-law, Albert and Iva Tweedy; brother- and sister-in-law, Ray and Lorraine Woockman; and nephews, Eldon McFarland and Arlan Sherman.

He is survived by wife, Ardis; children, Michael and wife Mary, Jeannie, and Jeffrey and wife Jackie, all of Kalispell; grandchildren, Mandi (John) Cole, Dylan (Allie) McFarland, Jesse A. McFarland, Olivia McFarland-Barrett, Nickole McFarland, Jesse C. McFarland, Ashley McFarland and Jeffrey McFarland; and great-grandchildren, Greta, Thomas and Vaida Cole, William and Addison McFarland, Drew and Devin McFarland and Rylee Evans. He is also survived by sister Alda Jones, sister-in-law Phyllis (Julian) Weslow, brother in-law Ronald (Judy) Tweedy, and several nieces and nephews.

Graveside services will be held at Fairview Cemetery later this spring.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Tom's name to the Humane Society of Northwest Montana or the charity of your choice.

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

Sara Marie (Moss) McGinnis, 28

Sara Marie (Moss) McGinnis was born on April 17, 1990 in Kalispell. She died in Kalispell on July 20, 2018 from a massive stroke caused by eclampsia.

Raised in Kalispell, Sara attended Fair-Mont-Egan School from Kindergarten through 8th grade and loved her time there. She graduated from Flathead High School in 2008. Sara had a gift with children and worked as a nanny before her marriage in 2009. She and her husband briefly lived in Portland, Ore., and San Tan Valley, Ariz.,



but always returned to the Flathead Valley where her heart was. Brad and Sara were

sealed for time and all eternity in the Logan Utah Temple April 15, 2011.

Sara became a mother when her daughter, Aurora, was born in 2011. She loved motherhood and was an energetic and creative mother. She was eagerly anticipating the arrival of her long

awaited son, Owen, when she passed away. In her death, she gave him life.

Sara leaves behind her husband of almost nine years, Bradley McGinnis; a daughter, Aurora Lynn (7), and a son, Owen Keith (3 days).

She is also mourned for by her parents, Calvin Kim and Terry Champlin Moss; and her siblings, Kylene, Jason, Shawnel, Janessa, and Calvin Taylor, their spouses, children, and aunts and uncles. Her father-in-law, Lynn McGinnis, mother-in-law, Suzanne Baker, their children and fami-

lies, and also hundreds of loving friends mourn her loss.

Funeral services will be held at the LDS Church in Kalispell on Wednesday, July 25, beginning with a viewing at 10:30 a.m. and service at noon.

In lieu of flower, donations can be submitted to Go Fund Me in the name of Sara McGinnis. Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for the family. To leave condolences for the Sara's family please visit www.jgfuneralhome.com

Paul S. McGrath, 76

Paul S. McGrath, 76, of Kalispell, passed away Sunday, Aug. 19, 2018, at the Health Center in Kalispell, due to complications of COPD and autoimmune disease of the lungs.

Paul was born to Fred and Margaret McGrath in Plymouth, Massachusetts, on April 5, 1942. The family moved west in 1946 where Paul graduated from Santa Monica High School in 1959; he joined the U.S. Navy Seabees in 1959 and served time on Guam, Wake and Midway Islands before being discharged in 1962.

Paul then attended Northern Arizona University from 1962 to 1966 and earned a bachelor's degree. From 1966 to 1970 he attended Colorado State University and earned a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree. He then practiced medicine in Kingman, Arizona, for 10 years before moving to Kalispell in late 1979 where he married the love of his life, Sandra, in 1994.

Paul was a member of the Kalispell Elks,



Eagles and a life member of the Montana Veterinary Medical Association.

He was preceded in death by his parents, and his older brother and sister.



He is survived by his wife, Sandra; and two sons, Travis McGrath of Redmond, Washington, and Daniel McGrath of Chesterfield, Virginia; also a younger brother, Fred Jr., of Doylestown, Pennsylvania; and two stepdaughters, Amy Marvin and Heather Larson, both of Spokane. Paul and Sandie also have seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

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

Arrangements are under the care of Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home and Crematory.

Robert A. 'Bob' McGwier, 79

Robert A. "Bob" McGwier, 79, of Post Falls, Idaho, passed away on Dec. 8, 2018, under hospice care in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho.

He was preceded in death by his parents, and a son Michael.

He is survived by wife Diane McCown McGwier,



and Beth Ann (Chris) Leonardo, nine grandchildren, five great-grandchildren, and a sister Jane in Atlanta.

a son Robert, two daughters Holly (Mark) Butcher

Bob was born and raised in Atlanta. He joined the Air Force and was stationed at the Air Force Base in Lakeside at the time he met Diane. After leaving Kalispell they lived in Atlanta and other cities before returning to Washington and then Idaho to spend the

rest of his life.

He also is survived by a sister-in-law Paula (Jeff) Little and three nieces and a nephew in Idaho, Washington and Montana.

Funeral services are pending.

D. Elaine McKay, 90

D. Elaine McKay went peacefully to her rest awaiting the return of her Lord (1 Thessalonians 4:13-18) on Oct. 9, 2018.

Elaine was born at home on Aug. 19, 1928, the second of three girls and raised in Battle Creek, Michigan.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Clyde and Ella, her two sisters, Jean and Margaret, her second husband, George E. McKay, and her first husband William "Bill" L. Thomas, who was the father of her four children.

Bill and Elaine moved to Seattle in 1950. They drove their converted car/camper and spent much time in Glacier National Park, giving them both a great love of the West. They lived in Seattle till 1955 and circumstances took them back to Michigan, always



hoping to return.

In 2011 Elaine did return, as far as Montana where all of her four

children live.

In the years between, Elaine led a full, active life. She loved to read, swim, take pictures, do needlepoint and puzzles, play cribbage and visit her family and friends. She loved to travel and was always up for an adventure, having floated the Colorado River and rode in a sail plane. She was an avid salesperson in her career.

As life goes, Bill and Elaine were divorced. In 1987 Elaine was courted by and married George McKay. They also enjoyed travel and spent much of their time on their yacht

in Florida. Elaine loved the ocean and water, living as close as she could to see it. When it came time for her Montana move she opted for mountain views to be near her children.

Elaine is survived by her four children, Gail Metzger (Chuck) of Columbia Falls, Craig Thomas of Coram, Jill Purdy (Albert) of Columbia Falls, and Brent Thomas of Columbia Falls.

She also leaves five grandchildren and six great-grandchildren; along with nieces, nephews and stepchildren.

Elaine never knew a stranger and her smile and caring ways will be missed by all who knew her.

There will be a memorial of her life at 1 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 4, at the North Valley Seventh-

day Adventist Church, of which she was a member, at 269 2nd Ave. EN, Columbia Falls. A light lunch will follow.

Her wish was that any memorials be given to the Whole Living Learning Center, P.O. Box 2750, Columbia Falls, MT 59912.