

Elza Royce Page, 74

Elza Royce Page, 74 years, 8 months, 10 days old, passed away on April



13, 2019, at Cox South Medical Center in Springfield, Missouri, with his family by his side.

Royce was born Aug. 3, 1944, in Wright County, Missouri, to Elza Lee "Jack" and Hazel Ethel (Bordner) Page.

Royce was a retired logger. He worked in the timber industry in the states of Idaho, Montana and Oregon.

In October of 1963 Royce and Kellie Kay Craig were united in marriage in Oregon, and to this union they were blessed with four children.

Royce became a Christian in his later years. He enjoyed hunting, fishing and just being in the outdoors. He loved coming back to his home community in the Ozarks of Missouri. Royce was kind and always willing to lend a helping hand. He lived with his brother Norman and wife

Christine, along with his three nieces, Janice, Sue and Kay, for six years.

Royce was preceded in death by his parents, Kellie, the mother of his children; two brothers, Wayne and Norman Page; and two sisters, Shirley Foster and Jean Johnston.

Royce is survived by his four children, Marge Dixon of Boise, Idaho, Royce Lee Page of Clearwater, Idaho, Donald Ray Page of Clearwater, and Billy Jack Jones of Idaho; close friend, "Dee" Dolores Barnum, of Ava, Missouri; 12 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; one sister, Ruby Butzler and Jim of Marshfield, Missouri; one brother, Don Page and Jody of Emmett, Idaho; nieces, nephews, and many other relatives and friends.

Cremation services for Royce are being conducted by Clinkingbeard Funeral Home, Ava, per Royce's request. His remains will be buried in the late spring at Brushy Knob Cemetery in Missouri and also in Montana, per Royce's wishes. There will be a memorial held on June 8 at the Brushy Knob Cemetery.

James Robert Pallo, 73

James Robert Pallo, 73, of Florence, Montana, passed away on April 29, 2019, at the home of his eldest son in Florence.

James "Jim" was born to Robert John Pallo and Vivian Marie Green, Dec. 20, 1945, in Watervliet, Michigan. He graduated from Whitefish High School in 1964, where his family owned and operated a large ranch south of Whitefish (Happy Valley).

He married Lorraine Petty, of Ogden, Utah, in 1966, and they made a life together, in a number of places, including Kalispell, Auburn, California; Coos Bay, Oregon; and Florence. Together they raised three children and loved and treasured their six grandchildren.

Jim owned and oper-



ated many businesses in the Flathead, including Super America and Jet Oil gas

stations, Glacier Ice Company, The Smorgi restaurants, and others.

Per his wishes, a graveside service will be held at 11:30 a.m. Mountain Standard Time on May 8 at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery (Lot 52, Sec E). A celebration of life party will be held at his son's home in Florence on June 29. All of Jim's friends and relatives are invited to attend the celebration. To express condolences for Jim Pallo, go to <http://www.whitesittfuneralhome.com>

Robert 'R.W.' W. Parsons, 77

Robert "R.W." W. Parsons, 77, Bigfork, died June 10, 2019, in Kalispell.

No services are being

held.

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

Charles Russell William Patton, 92

Charles Russell William Patton, 92, died Dec. 11, 2019 at his home in Hot Springs. No ser-

vices are planned at this time. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Gordon A. Payne, 82

Gordon A. Payne, 82, died Saturday, Nov. 2, 2019, at Immanuel Lutheran Home in Kalispell.

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

Gayla Payiva, 70

Gayla Payiva, 70, of Kila, died Dec. 19, 2019 in Kila. Arrangements are being made.

Darlington Cremation and Burial Service is caring for her family.

Nancy A. (McLaughlin) Peace, 92



Nancy A. (McLaughlin) Peace passed away peacefully on Friday, March 29, 2019, at Lake View Care Center in Bigfork.

Nancy was born Nov. 27, 1926, in Roundup to John McLaughlin and Helen (Nellie) Hunter. After growing up there, she attended the Normal College in Dillon and obtained a teaching certificate.

She started her career teaching in Ronan. After marrying James Peace Aug. 8, 1950, Nancy taught at the Valley View School in Polson. Their daughter Sally was born Nov. 8, 1963. She ultimately earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Montana.

1978.

The focus in Nancy's life was her family and the farm. She found joy in welcoming family, friends and visitors into their home and preparing homemade meals and pies for all. Her passion in life was playing the accordion and fiddle. She learned to play these instruments as a child and won many awards throughout her life. She would play for her fami-

Nancy and her husband also operated a farm on Forman Road in Valley View until

ly, friends and any-and-all; even her neighbors at St. Joseph Assisted Living in Polson. Nancy really enjoyed traveling to, and performing in, the Montana state and the national Old Time Fiddlers Contests and Festivals. All who knew Nancy remember her pleasant laugh, bright smile and the glint in her eye. Nancy was preceded in death by her parents, her brother John "Jack" McLaughlin, her husband James, and their daughter Sally, as well as her brother-in-law Ross Peace.

She is survived by her brother, James P. McLaughlin of Clarkston, Washington, her broth-

er- and sister-in-law, Earl and Jan Peace, of Bozeman, and her sister-in-law Myrna Peace of Fairfield, as well as several nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be held at 10 a.m. on Thursday, April 25, in the chapel at The Lake Funeral Home and Crematory in Polson with Deacon Andy Dorrington officiating. Inurnment will be held immediately following at Lakeview Cemetery in Polson.

Memories and condolences may be sent to the family at www.thelakefuneralhomeandcrematory.com. Arrangements are under the direction of The Lake Funeral Home and Crematory.

Rev. Robert K. Pearce Sr., 91

Reverend Robert K. Pearce Sr., 91, was welcomed into his eternal reward on Aug. 27, 2019, surrounded by his loving children at the Beehive in Columbia Falls.

Born in Carbondale, Pennsylvania, on March 13, 1928, he married Mary Lou Smith in Sept. of 1948. They lived among friends and family in New Jersey for 45 years before moving to the Flathead in 1992. Married for nearly 70 years before Lu Lu's passing in 2018, they raised three loving children: Bob, Jr (Lynn) and Doni Landwehr (Jim) both of Columbia Falls; and Kathy Schulte (Bob), who resides in Missoula. Over the years, his family grew to include nine grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews, assuring his exemplary life of love and service would live on in spirit for many years to come. He was ordained a Permanent Deacon in the Roman Catholic Church in Tupelo, Mississippi, on July 24, 1982, and served the people of St. Richards and the community of Columbia Falls for his 27 years in the Valley.

Deacon Bob was also an accomplished businessman and exceptional engineer. After serving two years in the Army in Korea, he returned to earn a degree in Chemical Engineering and then a Masters in Industrial Engineering from Seton Hall University, all while working full time to support his young family. Most notably, he developed sophisticated processes and metallurgical components while working at RCA, which ultimately contributed to powering our early satellites at NASA, and for which he earned several patents. He left RCA in



1972 and moved to the furniture industry where he excelled as a manufacturing engineer.



He was instrumental in developing the "Quality

Circles" programs in the 70s, designed to improve manufacturing processes and reduce product imperfections. When he wasn't working he could be seen supporting his kids' and grandkids' academic interests, sports endeavors and hobbies. Over the years, he was also known to roll a bowling ball, shuffle a deck of cards, wet a line and swing a golf club once in awhile.

He was, above all, a dedicated follower of Christ, a lover of God and neighbor; he walked the walk every day as a member of the clergy and as the head of his family. He was a brilliant and loving man, honorable and selfless. He will be missed by family and friends alike.

There will be visitation on Friday, Aug. 30, from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls. We will celebrate Deacon Bob's life with a Rosary at 10:30 a.m. on Monday, Sept. 2, at St. Richard Church followed by the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass at 11 a.m. and inurnment at St. Richard Cemetery on Talbot Road. Friends and family can gather back at the Pearce Center at St. Richard for lunch and fellowship.

Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls is caring for Deacon Bob's family.

Donald W. Pearson, 89

A celebration of life was held for Donald W. Pearson on Sept. 5 at Bethany Lutheran Church in Bigfork with the Rev. Tom Dopp officiating.

Don passed away Aug. 31, 2019, in Kalispell.

He was born Dec. 12, 1929, in Kalispell to Gladys Lawrence and Carl "Mike" Pearson. He attended Kalispell schools, and in the summertime set pins at the bowling alley, sorted spuds and delivered papers. Lots of vacation times were spent at Swan Lake at Grandpa Lawrence's homestead.

He left Kalispell when he was 17 to sell magazines. He soon became manager. He later owned several used car lots. His forte was salesmanship.

Don settled in Florida, but built his summer home in Bigfork, coming home each summer to fish.

Donny had many friends. He loved and enjoyed people. Little children and animals loved being with him.

Donny was married to Marge Kenney. They had children Debbie Mendenhall and Gary Pearson.

Later he married Carol



Whitehead. They had children Jerry and John Pearson.

Donny was preceded in death

by his parents, Gladys and Mike Pearson; brother, Carl W. Pearson; sons, John and Jerry Pearson; and uncles, Lester, Vern, Arnold and Erling Lawrence, and spouses.

He is survived by his wife, Carol, of 65 years, their anniversary being Sept. 9; his daughter, Debbie Mendenhall (Adam), their children Susan, Lily, John, Chris and Michael; son, Gary; granddaughter Cara Massina; sister, Colleen Wise; Lawrence cousins of Swan Lake; Eastman cousins of Ferndale; half brother, Mike Pearson; and stepbrothers, Dennis, Larry and Wayne Olson, and spouses.

Many thanks to his good friends Debbie and Rudy Urban and cousin Gail for their love and caring.

We love you and will miss your strength, stubbornness and sense of humor.

Gary Dean Pelton, 59

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Gary Dean Pelton, 59, passed away on Wednesday, June 5, 2019, at HealthCenter Northwest in Kalispell.

Gary was born on July 13, 1959, in Orofino, Idaho, and was welcomed by his parents Dale and Elaine Pelton, big brother Dougie, and grandparents Adron and Nell Pelton of Ahsahka, Idaho, and Bess and JW Brandt of Orofino. In 1961 the duo became a trio with the birth of baby brother Dana and later, a quartet, with Mindy born in Sandpoint, Idaho. The family moved to Kalispell where Gary excelled in sports including football and wrestling, which he lettered in throughout his high school career. Gary was an avid artist; his mediums spanned from photography to drawing to sculpture. Gary loved role-playing games and was a fierce dungeon master, many characters met their demise in his precisely created scenarios. Gary loved history and was always the elephant in the room — not just his size but with his wit and memory! No one ever



won an argument with Gary; he always had the facts on his side and the tenacity to bend you to his

will. Gary was a giant in stature and in heart and everyone who crossed his path has a memory to share — he was just that kind of person. Gary worked during his high school years at Uncle Dean and Aunt Judy Brandt's sawmill in Orofino, and Uncle John and Aunt Norma Brandt's hardware store in Stites, Idaho. Gary loved working with people and was fiercely loyal to his friends and family.

Gary graduated from Flathead High School in 1978 and went on to study health and human services at Flathead Valley Community College, earning his associate's degree. Gary worked with his father at Kalispell Pole & Timber for many years. He later worked at a hobby store where he

regaled customers with his vast knowledge and love of models and comics.

Gary struggled with diabetes and dementia and his poor body was overcome by the ravage of these diseases.

He was preceded in death by his maternal and paternal grandparents, his father Elbert Dale Pelton, brother Douglas Dale Pelton, and his loving uncle, John Walter Brandt II.

Gary is survived by his wife, CB, in Kalispell; his mother, Elaine Pelton, of San Antonio, Texas; brother, Dana and family, in Collinsville, Oklahoma;

sister, Mindy and family in San Antonio; Dean and Judy Brandt and family in Orofino, and Norma Brandt and family in Kooskia Idaho; and family and friends around the world.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to your favorite charity in memory of Gary.

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.

Carol Jean Peltier 52

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Carol Jean Peltier 52, died in her home in Kalispell Jan 12, 2019.

Jeanne was born in Portland July 27, 1966, to mother, Mary Ellen Peltier. She spent most of her growing up years in the Flathead and Missoula area. Some of her years were in the Boise, Idaho, area.

She has been back in the Flathead for the last five plus years. During that time, she enjoyed a couple summers participating in the Dragon Races at Flathead Lake. She spent a lot of time knitting and crocheting. She sold many items, or just gave them away to those who needed them. Her favorite item was making "Prayer Bears" for many people.

She was preceded in death by her grandparents, Victor and Marie



Peltier, her mother Mary Peltier, uncles, Tim Peltier and John Peltier,

and aunts, Carol Robbins and Faye Stoken.

She is survived by aunts, Dorothy (Charles) Newton, Rita (Henry) Frank, uncles Victor (Betty) Peltier, Joe (Teresa) Peltier, uncles-in-law, Joe Robbins and Ed Stoken, and many cousins.

A Mass was said for her at St. Matthew's Catholic Church in Kalispell. Cremation has taken place under the direction of Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home, and a private burial will be at a later date in Eureka.

Kenneth John Pemberton, 57

Kenneth J. Pemberton passed away on Dec. 4, 2018, at Holy Family Hospital in Spokane, surrounded by his loving family.

He was born in Libby to John and Karen (Fredricks) Pemberton on June 18, 1961. He, along with his sister Kimberly, and brother David "Chris," lived in Libby until the family moved to Columbia Falls in 1968. Ken attended school in Columbia Falls and graduated from Columbia Falls High School with the Class of 1979. While in school, Ken was a member of the high school choir and is remembered by family and friends for his beautiful tenor voice. As a member of the city swim team, he received several ribbons and was famous for his powerful "butterfly" stroke. He was also a ferocious bowler with a mean left hook that took him to state competitions.

Following graduation, Ken pursued his love of music, and attended North Idaho College in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, majoring in music. While he did not complete his degree, he never lost his love for music. Throughout his life Ken continued to sing for events, including family weddings and anytime there was a gathering of family or friends.

Ken was a gifted and passionate chef and that eventually became his vocation. He spent most of his adult years working at several restaurants throughout the Flathead Valley. He started his career working alongside his mother at the Brass Lantern Cafe. Over the years he also worked at the Columbia Cafe, Park Inn, Montana Coffee Traders, King Cole's and Fabulous Foods in Kalispell. Ken also held several jobs as a bartender throughout the valley. He had a great work ethic and was a "people person." He had a sharp



wit, a great laugh and a reputation for "telling it like it is."

Ken was also active in the

Kalispell Jaycees for several years, and one of his favorite things was dressing up as "Santa" and giving back to children.

Ken loved to travel and was fortunate to be able to take several trips over the years with his Aunt Betty and Uncle Ken Anderson and his cousins Barbara Anderson and Karen Anderson. He so appreciated his time with them. There are too many trips to list them all, but he cruised to Alaska more than once and had visited Las Vegas several times. In Minnesota he attended a Vikings game; in New York he fulfilled one of his dreams and attended a Barbra Streisand concert, as well as Phil Collins. His favorite trips, however, were to Hawaii and California.

In 2000, Ken moved to Spokane to be near his sister and her family while waiting for a liver transplant, which he received in 2002. Even though Ken would battle numerous health issues while recovering from his transplant, he eventually returned to work in Spokane for several years until forced to retire due to ill health. In 2013 he was diagnosed with pulmonary asbestosis as a result of exposure to asbestos fibers during his childhood in Libby. It would be his final battle. With all that he endured, he kept a smile on his face and a song in his heart. Even in his last hours, he sang Christmas carols with his family.

Ken is survived by his father John Pemberton of Kalispell, sister, Kimberly Cavalari of Spokane, and her children, Angela (Cavalari) Hansen, Nicholas Cavalari

of Spokane and Antonio Cavalari of Denver; Angela's children, Carter and Maddox; Julien and Ryder Hansen; Nicholas' children Gracie and Seth Cavalari.

He is also survived by Libby cousins: Karen Stickney, Carol Hilliard, Gary Wood, Joe Wood and their families, as well as numerous other family members in Montana and his Pemberton family in Minnesota.

Ken was preceded in death by his mother Karen Pemberton, brother David "Chris" Pemberton and infant brother Mark John Pemberton. He was also

preceded by his maternal and fraternal grandparents, as well as his aunt, Connie Wood.

The family will be holding a service to honor Ken at 1 p.m. Jan. 12 at the Columbia Falls Mortuary, per his wishes. Come share and celebrate his life.

Cards or condolences for the family can be sent to Kim Cavalari, at 3928 North Whitehouse, Spokane, WA 99205.

In lieu of flowers, please donate to Wings Regional Cancer Support. Donations can be mailed to: Wings, P.O. Box 1160, Libby, MT 59923.

Wendy Pendergraft, 61

PAS 10 MAR 2019
Our beloved Wendy Pendergraft went to heaven due to an unexpected accident on March 5, 2019. Wendy was a very loving wife with a deep faith in God, as well as a wonderful mother and grandmother.

She is survived by husband, Sam Pendergraft Sr.; and children, Sam Pendergraft Jr., Erin Douglas, and Ryan Pendergraft. Grandchildren, Payton Douglas, Raegan Douglas, Blaine Pendergraft and Lily Pendergraft.

Wendy was a blessing to the lives of many. Her spirit of adventure led her to enjoy boating, biking and traveling. Most importantly she found her greatest joy in the moments spent with her family and grandchildren, of whom she loved and cherished with her



whole heart. Wonderful sweet Wendy had a servant's heart, always

considering those around her. She was a true blessing to all. She was called home to heaven too soon for us, but we know that God needed her more in heaven. Well done my good and faithful servant, well done.

Anyone who would like to join in a celebration of life, please attend on Tuesday, March 12 at noon for a short service and social gathering; sandwiches will be provided. The celebration will be held at Whitefish Assembly of God, 150 Lamb Lane, Whitefish, Montana 59937.

Bonnie Dot Penner, 81

PAS 5 FEB 2019
Bonnie Dot Penner, 81, of Bigfork, passed away on Saturday, Jan. 19, 2019.

Bonnie, affectionately known to others as "Tiny," was born on Sept. 7, 1937, to Austin and Nellida Dillree in Rexburg, Idaho, joining older sister Lois and brothers Gary and Larry. The family relocated to Ovando. She attended Missoula County High School in Missoula and graduated in 1955.

Bonnie's greatest treasure was her family. She loved celebrations that brought the entire extended family together. Any chance to gather, play cards, tell stories, and enjoy a family meal. No one ever went hungry around Bonnie, be it her family, friends, or the multitude of birds and sometimes deer fed from her front porch. She was also known for her homemade candy and cookies, which were eagerly anticipated and will surely be missed.

Bonnie's other treasure was her yard. She possessed enviable gardening skills and spent countless hours in her yard, planting and tending to all her

flowers and trees. Her efforts always brought amazement to visitors and Bonnie was delighted when her fruit trees would bloom, producing buckets full of pears and apples.

She was reunited in passing with her parents, Austin and Nellida Dillree, and brother Gary Dillree, among others.

She is survived by her sister, Lois James, and brother, Larry Dillree, both of Ovando. She is survived by her children, daughter Susan Nellida Cooper of Homedale, Idaho; son Geno Naef of San Antonio, Texas; son Larry Penner of Bigfork; son Butch Naef of Spearfish, South Dakota; son Jamie Penner of Bigfork; and daughter Ann Penner and son-in-law Todd of Helena; in addition to several grandchildren and great-grandchildren whom she loved to squeeze and hug.

The family is planning to hold a celebration of Bonnie's life this summer, when the grass is green and the flowers are in bloom, just the way she preferred them.

Judith Lynn Pennington, 73

PAS 11 SEPT 2019
Heaven just received a beautiful angel:

Judith Lynn Pennington, age nun ya business, (73) passed away on Sept. 7, 2019. We have lost our beloved mother, sister, auntie, grandma, great-grandma, wife and friend.

Mom's passions included her kids, and her grandkids; she attended every sports activity they were involved in. She spent countless hours tending to her beautiful



yard and flower beds, and never missed a chance to rock in her rocking chair, or in

her yard swing. She loved being with her family.

She leaves behind her husband, Bruce; and seven crazy children that she was very proud of, Darrin, Greg, Rodlynn, Rod, Amie, Wendy and

Ryan, their spouses, and many, many grandkids; also her brother Tyrone, and three sisters Joan, Jane and Joy and their families, and many friends.

She was greeted by her loved ones to continue her journey; so Mom continue your journey. We will let you go for you will be ours wherever you may be. We will never find another as crazy as you and you will never find another bunch

of crazies like us! We love you, Mom.

A memorial service for Judith will be held at 3 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 15, at the United Methodist Church in Columbia Falls. A reception early dinner will follow services at the family home, 1827 9th Ave. West, Columbia Falls.

Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls is caring for Judith's family.

Michael Perkins, 67

Michael Perkins, 67, died at his home in Hungry Horse On July 25, 2019.

He is survived by his mother Gloria Perkins.

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

Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls is caring for Michael's family.

Brent Wesley Persinger, 64

Brent Wesley Persinger, 64, died Oct. 22, 2019 at Kalispell Regional Medical Center in Kalispell. Services

are currently pending. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Wesley G. Persinger, 89

Wesley G. Persinger, 89, died Sunday, Jan. 27, 2019, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center.

He is survived by his children: Brent Persinger, Gary

Persinger, Scott Persinger and Cindy Bullock.

Services will be held later this year.

Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls is caring for the family.

Charles Perry



Charles "Chuck" E. Perry, 70, passed away at the Libby Care Center in Libby, Montana, on Jan. 31, 2019.

Chuck was born April 8, 1948 in Grants Pass, Oregon to Theodore and Dorothy Perry. He was

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raised in Crescent City, California and Junction City, Oregon, attending schools in both places.

Chuck served four years in the U.S. Navy, with much of his service in Vietnam. He worked in grocery and food. He enjoyed hunting, fishing and gardening, and was a member of the National Rifle Association as well as Libby Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1548.

Perry had two children and three grandchildren.

Chuck is survived by three of his seven brothers, Bell Perry of Crescent City, California; Frank Perry of Junction City, Oregon; and Kenneth Perry, also of Junction City; one sister,

Loretta Bailey, of Libby, on whose ninth birthday Chuck was born.

No services are planned at this time.

Wesley Gene Persinger, 89

Wesley "Wes"

Persinger passed away Jan. 27, 2019, peacefully at Kalispell Regional Medical Center surrounded by his family, on his day to go home to be with his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Wesley was born March 16, 1929, in Henry, Nebraska, to Sim and Marie Persinger. Wes was soon followed by brother Clifford and then brother Donald. After some family moves they settled in Kennewick, Washington.

After high school and a couple semesters of college, he moved a small town called Hines in eastern Oregon. His lumbering, timber industry career began at Edward Hines Lumber Co., from which the town was named. Not long after being hired West received his draft notice. He was headed to Korea and served the Army Infantry in a Mortar Company. Wes was a combat veteran, a true patriot who loved his country.

After his service he returned to Hines and his employer. He met Elaine Neely, the love of his life. They married Dec. 17, 1954. They had four children, Brent, Gary, Scott and Cynthia. They remained married until Elaine's death in 2010.

While employed at Edward Hines Lumber Co., Wes also became full-time and part-time employed by the city of Hines. He was Hines city marshal and used his own vehicle for patrol — He was the police force of Hines.

After a long career in lumber and timber, with Elaine in nursing, they began new careers



in motel management. Soon came an opportunity for a motel in Kalispell, in 1984. Wes took the position where he stayed

until his retirement at 65. Wes and Elaine then purchased Riverside Mobile Home Park on Jellison Road in Columbia Falls. Wes loved the property, Flathead River frontage, open space, the trailer park and the tenants. Wes would often help tenants who struggled and give them more time, forgive rents, a helping hand. He remained in managing and maintenance until his passing.

Wes was preceded in death by his mother Marie, father Sim, brothers Clifford and Donald, and wife Elaine.

Wes is survived by his four children, Brent and wife Sue in Columbia Falls, Gary and wife Ilene in Kalispell, Scott and wife Wendy in Columbia Falls, and Cynthia Bullock and husband Don in Columbia Falls; and many grandkids and great-grandkids.

There will be a graveside service with military honors at 1 p.m. Saturday, July 27, at Woodlawn Cemetery in Columbia Falls, followed by a celebration of life at Wesley's place on the river, 1055 Jellison Road, Columbia Falls. A pig roast for family and friends will follow at approximately 3 p.m.

celebration of life at the Moose Lodge in Evergreen, on Monday, Jan. 13, from 4 to 7 p.m. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the American Cancer Society, the Moose Lodge in Evergreen, or St. Matthew's Catholic Church 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.

Katherine 'Kitty' Perzentka, 80

graciousness, infectious smile, and energetic spirit touched everyone she encountered.

She is survived by her brother Robert Foley of Wautoma, and her four children, son David, of Spokane; daughter Lisa and husband Kris, of Colorado Springs, Colorado, and their children Doreen and Jordan; daughter Jill and husband Jerry Wilson of Spokane, and their son Jacob; and daughter Julie of Arlington, Washington, and her daughter Adaline.

There will be a

and fish-ing, and chose to settle in Kalispell in 1970.

Kitty was a home-maker, and helped her husband run Walt's Photo-graphy Studio. She also worked for the Evergreen School System, and LaSalle Lighting before retiring.

Kitty was a beloved member of the community for nearly 50 years and enjoyed sharing her time volunteering with many organizations. Her



Katherine Genevieve (Foley) Perzentka, 80, passed away Dec. 27, 2019, in Kalispell.

Kitty was born July 30, 1939, in Wautoma, Wisconsin, to Dr. Clifford and Leone (Tetzlaff) Foley. She grew up in Wautoma, and graduated from Wautoma High School in 1957.

She married Walter W. Perzentka on Nov. 5, 1960. They enjoyed traveling throughout the United States for the General Telephone of Illinois. They both loved the outdoors, hunting

Donald Peters, 81

Donald Peters, 81, died Tuesday, Sept. 24, 2019, at Whitefish Care and Rehab in Whitefish.

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

Jeanette Charlotte Peters, 81

Jeanette Charlotte Peters, 81, died Sept. 24, 2019, at The HealthCenter in Kalispell.

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

f A L 16 June 2019

**CELEBRATION OF LIFE FOR
BURTON JOHN "BJ", MARCEEN, DAVID
PETERMAN**

3 Peterman Family members will be laid to rest, Saturday, June 22ND at 11AM
Service will be held at Adventure Church
348 2ND Avenue West, Kalispell.
Pastor Bob Ross will officiate.

Burial will be at 1PM at Glacier Memorial
Garden, Hwy 93 N,
lunch to follow at the church.

**Those that knew or worked with BJ, Marceen &
David please join us in celebrating their lives**

Survivors include 2 daughters Sharon
Howell and Darcy Peterman Trostad, 10
grandchildren, 17 great grandchildren and 11
great great grandchildren. David is survived
by wife Dana, daughter Lindsay, sons Jason
& Nick Jarvis and 3 grandchildren. He was
preceded in death by son Dennis, grandson
Timothy Francis & son in law Leo Howell.

Dale L. Peterson, 63

Dale L. Peterson, 63,
formerly of Martin City,
died July 4, 2019, in
Missoula.

son, Lee Peterson, of
Albany, Oregon.
A memorial will be
held at a later date.

He is survived by his

Janice Endslow Peterson, 83

Janice Endslow
Peterson, 83, of Kalispell
died May 10, 2019.

She is survived by
her three children.

A memorial service
will be held at 2 p.m.
Saturday, May 25, at

Flathead Lutheran
Bible Camp, 550
Lutheran Camp Road,
Lakeside.

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

Ann Louise Seal Peterson, 80

f A L 27 May 2019

Ann Louise Seal
Peterson returned to
the home of her heav-
enly Father and Savior
on May 18, 2019, to be
encircled in the loving
arms of those who went
before.

Ann was born on
July 11, 1938, to LaVel
and Verda Seal in Salt
Lake City and lived in
the same house until
June 13, 1957, when
she was married in her
dining room to Cloyd R.
Peterson and the magic
began. Their marriage
was later solemnized in
the Salt Lake Temple
of the Church of Jesus
Christ of Latter-day
Saints.

They celebrated 61
wonderful years of mar-
ried with five beautiful
children, four of who
chose four equally won-
derful spouses, Rick
(Lisa) Peterson, Randy
(Jodi) Peterson, Suzanne
(Patrick) Barlow
and Shannon (Paul)
Clawson. They mourn



the loss
of their
third son
Gary who
passed
away at
8 months
old.

Ann
was preceded in death
by her son, Gary; par-
ents and brothers.

She is survived by
her husband Cloyd,
four children and 14
grandchildren and seven
beautiful great-grand-
children; sister in law,
Faith Seal; beloved
cousin, Toni Farr; and
numerous nephews,
nieces and cousins, etc.

She will be laid to
rest next to her son
and parents at Wasatch
Lawn Memorial Park in
Salt Lake City.

In lieu of flow-
ers, donations may
be sent to the LDS
Humanitarian Services,
50 East North Temple
Street Floor 4, Salt Lake
City, Utah 84150-6890.

Lola Jean Domer Peterson, 81

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Lola Jean Domer Peterson left her earthly bonds Feb. 16, 2019, in Kalispell, after a short but valiant battle with cancer. Her family and the staff at Brendan House will remember her for the twinkle in her eye and the laughter she shared.

Lola was born on July 10, 1937, in Bozeman. Her parents were Ralph and Anna Maud (Lemons) Domer. Lola attended grade school in Manhattan and East Helena, Montana, and Seattle and Kent, Washington. She graduated from Helena High School in 1957. She met Great Falls Airman Dean Flanagan at one of the local drive-ins. They were married June 14, 1958, on her brother Ray's 12th birthday. Lola and Dean had two daughters together. They divorced in 1978. She married the love of her life Lawrence Peterson June 17, 1978.

After graduation Lola spent a summer working as a maid at the Old Faithful Inn in Yellowstone National Park. She returned to Helena and went to work for Holter Hardware. She worked a summer in the old St. Pete's Hospital on the 11th floor, which was called the "Baby Floor," as a candy stripper. She worked a year at J.C. Penney's and 12 years for Blue Shield as a keypunch operator, retiring in 1988. She then went to work for Master Cleaners. In 1992 she started her own cleaning business, LALO House Cleaning, which she retired from in 2005.

She and Larry enjoyed traveling going as far east as Florida, south to Mexico, west to California and north to Canada and Alaska. They liked Alaska so much that they took three cruises. She and Larry loved to camp. Her hobbies were embroidery, reading and dot-to-dots



Girl Scout; she was also involved in 4-H. When her daughters were growing up she was a Brownie leader.

Lola was preceded in death by both of her parents, her husband Larry, a sister-in-law Gladys and brother-in-law Don Marion, and two stepchildren Sharon Peterson and Gloria Peterson Kinney.

She is survived by daughters, Vivian and husband Chuck Allen of Columbia Falls, and Penelope and husband Pete Quien of Kalispell; stepchildren, Catherine Hartsfield of Oklahoma, and Debi and Richard Peterson of Helena; brother Ray Domer and partner Kim Garrison of Helena; grandchildren, Amanda Allen of Nashville, Tennessee, Joshua Allen of San Francisco, and Amber Walter of Columbia Falls; step-grandchildren, Erin Jenison of Helena, Eric and Ben Hartsfield of Florida, Christopher Hartsfield of Indiana, Sara and husband Andy Baker of Florida; two great-grandchildren and four step-great-grandchildren; several nieces and nephews and cousins.

The family plans to have a celebration of Lola's life later this spring. We would also like to thank the staff of Brendan House for the love, care and support they gave our family and Lola throughout her stay with them.

Lynda L. Peterson, 73

Lynda L. Peterson, 73, died Tuesday June 4, 2019, at Health Center Northwest in Kalispell.

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

Marjorie Jo Peterson, 85

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Marjorie Jo Peterson was born June 8, 1933, in Preston, Idaho, to Victor and Myrtle Peterson. She was the youngest of four children.



Robert Waldo Peterson and Kelly John Peterson. Marjorie is survived by

Marjorie graduated from Preston High School in 1951 and also completed the Seminary curriculum.

Marjorie married DeVerl J. Peterson in 1952 in Preston, Idaho. The marriage was sealed in the Manti Temple in 1956.

Through her lifetime she lived in Preston, Idaho; Provo, Utah; Calgary, Alberta; Dallas, Texas; and Dayton, Montana.

Marjorie passed away at the age of 85 on March 9, 2019, at the Kalispell hospital.

She was preceded in death by her two sons,

her husband DeVerl J. Peterson and daughter Vicki J. May, both of Dayton. She is also survived by grandsons Daniel Edward May and Douglas Peterson May, both of Calgary.

Marjorie's funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, March 16. Friends may visit with the family from 10 to 10:45 a.m. at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Polson.

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

In 1995 Lola and Larry were involved in a Franklin Graham Crusade. In 1998 they

Please visit www.aswfuneralhome.com to offer a condolence to the family or to share a memory of Lola.

Tambra Jean Peterson, 59

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Tambra Jean Peterson, 59, passed away on Sunday, March 31, 2019, at her home in Kalispell from heart disease.

Tambra was born on June 3, 1959, in Reedley, California, to Carl and Natalie (Fillmore) Peterson.

Tambra worked as a phlebotomist for the Red Cross for over 10 years. During her time with the Red Cross she touched many lives and members of the community.

She loved to read and watch the Turner Classic Movies Channel — everything from Disney to old classic movies to the new ones. She enjoyed trips to Disneyland, low-key holiday dinner with friends, and spontaneous road trips to Canada.

Tambra invested most of herself to her son Matthew. Almost everything she did, she did for him. She loved to laugh and enjoyed casual get togethers with family and friends. Her father was her rock and hero throughout all of her life. She had a kind and very giving heart that was full of love and laughter.

Tambra is survived by her son, Matthew Peterson, of Kalispell.

A celebration of her life will be held from 2 to 4p.m. on June 1 at the Lagoon Pavilion at Woodland Park. She will be greatly miss by all who knew her.



Friends are encouraged to visit the website at www.buffalohillfh.com to leave notes of condolence

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

Carol J. Peltier, 52

Carol J. Peltier, 52, of Kalispell, died at her home on Monday, Jan. 14, 2019.

No services are being planned.

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

Carla Jean Petrini

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Carla Jean Petrini passed away on March 23, 2019 in Great Falls, Montana.

She was 78 years old, born on July 7, 1940. Jean was the daughter of Andrew and Genevieve Holien.

Mom is remembered for her feisty sense of humor, unconditional love for her family, which included her dogs; Fanny, Clyde, Gracie and Molly, all of the squirrels in the neighborhood, butterflies, humming birds and let's not forget her love of lady bugs... but only the ones with seven spots.

Mom loved people; she loved hearing your story and had a gift for making those around her feel important and loved. This gift served her well during the 25 years she spent bartending. She loved her job at Casey's



Bar and Whitefish Lake Golf Course.

On Aug. 21, 1981, mom married Stephen T. Petrini and they moved to Great Falls, where she lived for the remainder of her life.

Mom is survived by her husband Stephen T. Petrini; daughters, Ronda Thomen, Robin

Winkler; son-in-law and daughter, Cary and Rena Cleland. Mom was also a mother to five step-children; LaVonne Whitaker, Richard Schultz, Lisa Tannehill, Linda Bostic and Steve Petrini; brothers and sisters, Sharon and Richard Spring, Raymond and Gail Holien, Vernon and Denise Holien, Judy Beecher and Jeff Winn Sr.; and her beloved aunt and uncle, Tink and Azelea Bacon.

Mom's most beloved and greatest joy in life were her eight grandchildren, Jason, Jaymi, Aleshia, Jenna, Tim, Megan, Kaelyn and Shannon and numerous step-grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Mom was preceded in death by her parents Andrew and Genevieve Holien; brother, Andrew

Holien; and sister, Janet Winn.

A memorial service was held on Tuesday, March 26, at 1 p.m. at Hillcrest Lawn Memorial Chapel, 1410 13th Street South in Great Falls.

Condolences for the family may be left at www.SchniderFuneralHome.com

Rose Pfosch, 90

Rose Pfosch, 90, of Kalispell, died on Tuesday, April 30, 2019 at Immanuel Lutheran Home in Kalispell.

Family services will be held. Darlington Cremation and Burial Service is caring for Rose and her family.

Greg Wayne Phillips, 73



Greg Phillips, beloved husband, father, brother and friend, died at Kalispell Regional Medical Center, Kalispell, on Oct. 11, 2019, surrounded by family and friends.

Greg was born in Libby on June 21, 1946, to Ellis Bradley and Isabelle (Shipman) Phillips. He attended school in Libby and graduated from Libby High School in 1964. Greg attended Pacific Lutheran University from 1964 to 1967, then transferred to the pharmacy program at the University of Montana where he graduated in 1971. Over summer vacations during college, Greg worked for the USDA Forest Service, Libby Ranger District trail crew, on construction of the Libby Dam, and at the mill in Libby. While he was at school in Missoula, he worked at Missoula White Pine Sash to pay for his tuition.

Upon earning his pharmacy degree, Greg started working in Kalispell at Alton Pierce Drug store. A year later, he began working at the Evergreen Pharmacy, which he later purchased and operated for many years. Evergreen Pharmacy was a multi-purpose store that had a post office, UPS center, liquor store, pharmacy, drug store, as well as green stamp redemption center. Years later, Greg sold the pharmacy and relocated the Evergreen Liquor store to its current location on Highway 2 in Evergreen.

On July 25, 1987, Greg married Carol Brandvold Smith in Kalispell. His three stepsons were beyond thrilled that their mom was marrying their

beloved baseball coach who also had a pickup and snowmobiles.

Greg was involved in numerous organizations and touched many lives in the Flathead Valley. He coached baseball in Evergreen for many years and was instrumental in building the baseball fields behind Flathead Electric Cooperative. Greg also coached the Rotary Babe Ruth team when his sons were playing. He was active in Lions Club, the Moose, and Boy Scouts, where he led many Scouts on 100-mile hikes in the Bob Marshall Wilderness. He was on the board of the Creston Fire district and Chain of Lakes Association board. His favorite activity was mowing the baseball fields, for hours at a time, and hunting for turtles in Crystal Lake with his grandkids, nieces and nephews. He also took great pleasure in dragging kids behind the boat on Big Mable, kneeboards, water skis, or anything else.

Greg's final goal was finishing the baseball fields at ABS field in Evergreen. Ralph and Karen Wisher donated the land for a sports park to the Evergreen Lions Club. The Lions worked hard to build a Babe Ruth field, which was later improved by the Regulators Organization. Greg spent countless hours working on the park mowing, leveling, and persuading people to bring in materials so they could finish build-

ing three more fields for younger kids. He always said that if he won the lottery, his first project would be hiring someone to build the fields.

Greg will be remembered most for his huge heart. He gave openly to his community, his friends and his family. Whether it was spending time listening to someone's problems without any judgment or helping people in financial straits, Greg was there. He always had a joke to tell (often inappropriate or not funny) and teared up over emotional movies and stories. Hugs were available for people who needed one and he gave a great bear hug. He loved life. His final gift was donating his corneas so two blind people will see, skin for burn victims, and other tissues. He truly was the "Gift Who Keeps on Giving!"

Greg is survived by his wife, Carol, at the family home; three sons, Mark Smith of Newport Richey, Florida, and Jance (Misty) Phillips, and Jeremy (Michelle) Phillips of Kalispell; brothers, Byron (Linda) Phillips of Libby, and Dale (Barb) of Omak, Washington; stepbrothers, Jeff (Doreen) Gruber of Libby, and Roger Gruber of Havre; step-sisters, Terri Gruber of Spokane, and Cathy (Jim) Anderson of Boise, Idaho; brother-in-law, Larry (Linda) Brandvold, of Fairfield, Montana, sisters-in-law Joan Schmidt, Joyce Morgan, Nancy Traner, and Karen Brandvold of Great Falls; additionally, 13 grandchildren, Brittney (Bryant) Plympton, McKenzie

Smith, Shanay, Samantha, Rhett, Evie, and Fisher Phillips, Colton Schmidt of Kalispell, and Maddyn, Lillian, Scott and Porter Norvell of Molalla, Oregon.; last, but not least, two great-grandchildren, Bentley and Brydger Plympton of Kalispell, and many nieces and nephews.

Greg was preceded in death by his parents, Isabelle and Brad Phillips, and stepmother Joan Phillips.

A private service for the family and close friends will be held at 11 a.m. Oct. 19 at the Church of Creston, Lutheran on Highway 35.

A celebration of Greg's life will be held from 1 to 5 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 20, at the Flathead County Fairgrounds Expo Center, 265 N. Meridian Road, Kalispell.

In lieu of flowers, memorials, (monetary, labor or equipment) may be given to the ABS Baseball Field Fund in care of the Evergreen Lions, Box 3585, Kalispell, MT 59901.

Eric Robert Pickens, 23

Eric Robert Pickens, 23, of Kalispell, died August 9, 2019 at his home in Kalispell. Arrangements are being

made at this time. Darlington Cremation and Burial is caring for Eric and his family.

Cynthia C. Pickett, 71

Cynthia C. Pickett, 71, died Tuesday, Nov. 19, 2019 at Whitefish Care And Rehab. Services are currently pending. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for the family.

Robert 'RC' Pitts, 44

Robert 'RC' Pitts, 44, of Whitefish, died Saturday, Jan. 19, 2019. Arrangements are pending. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for the family.

Charles B. 'Chuck' Pitz, 90

Charles B. "Chuck" Pitz passed away peacefully March 29, 2019, at the Health Center in Kalispell at the age of 90.

Chuck was born March 1, 1929, in Rapid City, South Dakota, to Marcellus and Leona (Thomas) Pitz. He and his older brother Mark grew up in Rapid City. He worked for the U.S. Forest Service in fiscal control for many years in Custer, South Dakota, and Gunnison, Colorado and Denver, Colorado. After leaving the Forest Service, Chuck became an antique dealer in Colorado for several years. Then he took a job as the business manager for Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Parish in Boulder, Colorado. It was at that job that he met a second grade teacher, Caroline. The two were married in 1977 and were blessed with two sons, Nicholas and Nathan. Chuck was also blessed with a daughter Lisa and a son Dusty from a previous marriage.

The family relocated to Bigfork in 1983. Upon coming to Bigfork Chuck worked various jobs around the Flathead Valley; he worked for his sister-in-law and her husband at the Bigfork Inn, The Osprey Nest Antiques, the Kalispell Antiques Market, Electric Avenue



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Gifts and he spent many summers selling cherries for Clarice and

Bill Bush's Jubilee Orchard. Chuck was a long-time member of St. Catherine's and St. John Paul II Catholic churches in Bigfork.

Chuck finally retired in 2012 as dementia began to make its way into his days.

He is preceded in death by his parents Marcellus and Leona and his brother Mark.

He is survived by his wife of 41 years Caroline; his three sons, Nicholas, his wife Brandye and granddaughters Shaye and Mya, son Nathan, his wife Paige and grandson Rawly, son Dustin and his wife Barb, and his daughter Lisa and grandchildren Nicole and Noah.

A Mass of Christian burial will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday, April 4, at St. John Paul II Catholic Church in Bigfork.

In lieu of flowers please make a donation to a charity of your choice.

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

Amy Lynn Piunti, 43

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Bridge Road in Cedarburg.

Amy's true passion was her children, and she was

very involved in their schooling. She loved attending and volunteering at their sporting events and activities. Traveling as a family was very special to Amy, and she especially loved experiencing Disney World and Hawaii with her kids. Each summer she looked forward to a trip back to Montana to go boating, hiking, and exploring Glacier National Park. She held a special place in her heart for her girlfriends and truly enjoyed her time with them. Her courage was her crown and she wore it like a queen.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to the charitable fund that has been created in Amy's name to support local family-centered charities, thereby keeping her generous spirit alive. Checks can be made payable to Schwab Charitable with "Amy L. Piunti Charitable Fund" included on the memo line.

Over the past two years, since Amy's original diagnosis, Amy, Jason and their family have been overwhelmed by the support, love, prayers and generosity of the St. Francis Borgia Church and School, Cedarburg community, PolyOne, and friends and family. The unconditional love, support and selflessness of so many has been a blessing to the Piunti family during a very challenging time and has had an incredibly positive impact

on their family.

As was Amy's hope, the Amy L. Piunti Charitable Fund was created with the goal of carrying on the generosity extended to her family in their time of great need. Because of Amy's great love of family, it is Amy and Jason's wish that the Amy L. Piunti Charitable Fund continues to support local family-centered charities for years to come.

Thank you for all the love and support, Jason, Max, Giuliana and Marcus.

Online line condolences can be forwarded to the family at www.eernissefuneralhome.com.

The Eernisse Funeral Home in Cedarburg, Michael Schramka Associate is assisting the family.

In the presence of her loving family, Cedarburg, Wisconsin, resident Amy Lynn Piunti entered into eternal life on Thursday, Sept. 19, 2019, at the age of 43.

Amy was born in Park Ridge, Illinois, on April 20, 1976, the daughter of Jim and Nancy (Nee Williams) Gordley. After graduating from Whitefish High School, Amy attended Carroll College of Helena where she earned a bachelor's degree in business finance. She was united in marriage with Jason Piunti on Sept. 6, 2003, at St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church in Whitefish.

Amy is survived by her loving husband, Jason; precious children, Maxwell James, Giuliana Lynn, and Marcus Salvatore; mother, Nancy Gordley, of Whitefish; sister, Megan Gordley, of Appleton, Wisconsin; sister-in-law, Kristi Porcelli, of Chicago; nephew, Dominic Porcelli, of Chicago; mother-in-law, Darnell Piunti, of Chicago Heights, Illinois, along with many loving aunts, uncles, cousins, and dear friends.

She was preceded in death by her father Jim Gordley, and father-in-law Sam Piunti.

The family will greet relatives and friends from 4 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 17, at the Eernisse Funeral Home, located at 1167 Washington Avenue, Cedarburg, WI 53012. There will be a prayer vigil that evening at 7 p.m. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at noon on Friday, Oct. 18, at St. Francis Borgia Catholic Church-North, located at 1375 Covered

Esther Judith Polm, 58

Esther Judith Polm, 58, died Monday, May 20, 2019, at her home in Kalispell.

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

Hans W Polte, 85

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Dr. Hans W Polte, 85, passed away on Oct. 13, 2019, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center.

Born in Gorlitz, Germany, Hans was the oldest of two sons born to Johannes and Margarete Polte.

Following the Second World War, Hans emigrated to Springfield, Ohio, where he met his wife, of 57 years, Nancy (died 2014).

Hans became an accomplished tennis player, playing collegiately for Ohio State University and throughout his life. Following graduation, Hans entered the United States Air Force, where he rose to the rank of colonel and served as Chief of Oral Surgery. He retired from the U.S. Air Force in 1985, after a decorated career that included serving in Vietnam and being awarded the Legion of Merit and



Bronze Star. At retirement, Hans

and Nancy moved to Kalispell where they thoroughly enjoyed the next 30 years, the community, and their many friends in the valley.

Hans is survived by his daughter Lori, son Scott, five grandchildren, and his brother Gunter. He will be greatly missed.

Cremation has taken place and his remains are buried alongside Nancy's at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery in Kalispell. A remembrance for family and friends will be held next spring in Kalispell.

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

Glenna 'Sue' Ray Porter, 72

Glenna "Sue" Ray Porter, 72, died at her home in Kalispell on April 17, 2019. Sue was born on Sept. 6, 1947 in Whitefish.

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

Dee Ann Porter, 82

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Dee Ann Porter, 82, of Kalispell, passed away Dec. 24, 2019 and is now in the arms of her Savior.

Dee was preceded in death, by her husband, Pastor J. Alan Porter. She is survived by her daughters: Patty Waters of Kalispell and Peggy Blask of Florida and sons: Mark and Joe Porter of Nebraska.

The family thanks the staff at Mountain View Manor in Eureka taking such good care of Mom.

Her Funeral Service will be at 11 a.m. on Monday, December 30 at Adventure Church in Kalispell.

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

E. James 'Jim' Porteus, 80

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E. James "Jim" Porteus, 80, of Bozeman passed away peacefully in his sleep on Wednesday, Aug. 14, 2019.

He was born April 23, 1939, in Oneonta, New York, to James E. and Fanny Ida (Potter) Porteus. Jim served his country in the United States Army. On Jan. 20, 1968, Jim and Joann welcomed their son, Curt.

Jim was a member of the Eagles and loved attending any antique truck/tractor show that he could. This year he was able to attend the 20th annual Brockway Truck show in Cortland, New York, and he had the time of his life. As a profession, Jim was a truck driver and auctioneer. In his younger days he competed in Logger Days in Kalispell. After retiring, Jim drove truck on the Alaska ice roads for a couple of years. He loved it if the weather was colder than minus 40 degrees. He also ran Porteus BBQ and Auction beginning in 1989, until later selling the company.

Jim was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Earl Porteus;



and former spouses, Diane Barnhart Porteus and Dutch Porteus.

Survivors include his son, Curt (Alisa) Porteus; grandson, Cassidy (Katie) Porteus; great-grandkids, Zoe, Lexi, Ella and Owen Porteus; stepdaughter, Debi Simpson and her sons, Christopher Motichka (his daughters, Paige and Aubrey) and T.J. Motichka; brother, Tom (Lois) Porteus; sister-in-law, June Porteus; and several nieces and nephews.

A party to celebrate Jim's life will be held from 1 to 5 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 15, at the Lindley Center, 1102 E. Curtiss St., Bozeman. All are welcome.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Brockway Museum and Truck Preservation Association, 4386 US-11, Cortland, NY 13045.

Arrangements are in the care of Dokken-Nelson Funeral Service. www.dokkennelson.com

Leslie R. Potts, 69

Leslie R. Potts, 69, of Bigfork, passed away on Oct. 9, 2019, in Kalispell.

A celebration will be at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 19, at The Little Brown Church in Bigfork.

Leslie, or Les to anyone who knew him, was born in Kalispell to Douglas and Dorothy Potts on Aug. 7, 1950. He attended school at Swan River Elementary and Bigfork High School, graduating in 1968. In 1970, Les answered the call to fight for his country in the United States Army. He spent almost two years with the 360th Transportation Unit in Vietnam, being honorably discharged in February of 1972. Shortly after his return, Les met his beautiful future wife, Joyce Olsen. The two were married on May 12, 1973,



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in Bigfork. Their life together brought them three children, Melissa, Brad and Mandy.

Les worked a few different jobs before landing at the Flathead County Road Department for 27 years. He also had a custom snow plowing, farming and gravel business that he ran in his spare time. Les was always working from before the sun came up until the sun set behind the mountain. He could often be seen around Bigfork in the early morning winter

hours keeping the roads and driveways plowed. In the summer it was not uncommon to see Les on a tractor at the many fields he hayed in the Valley.

Les enjoyed spending time with family and friends on his many pack trips into the Bob Marshall, O-Mok-Seeing and team penning, fishing and family trips. Les was a loving, generous, kind and hardworking man that enjoyed socializing with anyone who would listen. He was a very hardworking man that enjoyed teaching his children the value of hard work and perseverance. This is very evident if you have ever met any of his children.

Les was preceded in death by his father, Douglas Potts.

He is survived by his wife Joyce, his mother Dorothy of Bigfork, his children Melissa and Brad of Bigfork, and Mandy (Jason) of Kalispell; sisters and brothers Dixie (Jerry), Clyde (Barb), Lyle (Nan), Denise, and Lesa, all of Bigfork, and his brother Dale (Margaret) of Bellis, Alberta. Les is also survived by his grandchildren Shae, Layne, Jerrod, Carter and Tucker, as well as many nieces, nephews and great nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to a donor of your choice. Also, in remembrance of Les take some time out of your day to call a loved one or give your grandchildren a big hug.

Allie Bernetty Powell, 92

Allie Bernetty Powell, 92, died Sept. 24, 2019, at her home in Lakeside. Burial will take place in Danville, Illinois. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Linda Sue Powell, 71

On Wednesday, April 17, 2019, Linda Sue Powell went to be with the Lord at the age of 71 years. Though Linda's family and friends will miss her presence, we rejoice in her eternity.

She is loved and remembered by her husband of 51 years, Raymond, and her children, Michael Powell and his wife Dawn of Royce City, Texas, Krista Andrews and her husband



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Steven of Kalispell, Jolene Waller of McAlester, Oklahoma, and Nathaniel "Nate" Powell and his wife Rebecca of Diamondhead, Mississippi. Linda is also loved and remembered by her grandchildren, Jeremiah Andrews and his wife Anna of Fort

Riley, Kansas, Hannah Andrews and fiance Ward Evanoff of Kalispell, Brooklin Waller and fiance Mason Ryan of McAlester, Kaylee Waller of McAlester, and Sam and Max Powell of Diamondhead.

Linda loved life and dedicated her life to serving God as a little girl, and did so her entire life. She will always be remembered for her vivacious personality and her

love for music. She passed these on to her family; we are so grateful for this.

"Her children arise and call her blessed: her husband also, and he praises her: many women do noble things, but you surpass them all" — Proverbs 31:28-29, New International Version

A celebration of life will be held in Oklahoma in late May with her family.

Lori A. (Kirby) Powell, 50

Lori A. (Kirby) Powell, 50, passed away unexpectedly on Dec. 29, 2018 at Kalispell Regional Medical Center.

Lori was born on Sept. 3, 1968 in Kalispell to Donald Lee and Marlene (Wooden) Kirby.

Lori was raised in the Bigfork area and graduated from Flathead High School. She has worked in the hotel hospitality field for the last 27 years. She loved to draw and visit Glacier National Park and loved bowling. She married Terry Powell and they shared 18 years together.

Lori was preceded in

death by her grandfather and grandmother Wooden and grandfather and grandmother Kirby.

She is survived by her husband Terry Powell; parents Don and Marlene Kirby; brother Daryl and wife Ginny Kirby; nephew Tyler and niece Sarah.

A celebration of life will be held at 1 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 3, at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home.

Friends are encouraged to visit www.buffalohillfh.com to leave notes of condolences for the family.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home and Crematory caring for the family.

Jason Powers, 36

Jason Powers, 36, of Kalispell, died Wednesday, Dec. 4, 2019, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center.

He is survived by his wife Ashley, and his children Piper Powers

and Avery Powers. No services are being planned at this time. Arrangements are under the care of Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home and Crematory.

^{PAL 14 Feb 2019} Bertha Powers, 92

Bertha Powers passed in peace Feb. 11, 2019.

She was born on Feb. 10, 1927, in Calgary, Alberta. Bertha spent her childhood with her two sisters and brother in Vancouver, British Columbia.

She loved to swim and was swim instructor to the Canadian Special Forces. During World War II she and her family moved south settling in Richmond, California.

Bertha was employed as a welder in the Oakland shipyards. She married Ted Powers in 1950 and they had six children, all raised in the Bay Area. Bertha and her family spent all their free time in Montana, owning various properties in Nyack

Flats before retiring to the west side of the valley.

Bertha loved to share her home with family and friends, her wry sense of humor and quick wit often getting the best of them.

Bertha returned to school in 1979 and earned her Master in Special Education degree. She loved teaching kids to read. She was an avid reader and president of the Flathead County Friends of the Library in Kalispell, master knitter and a wonderful grand- and great-grandmother.

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

Margaret 'Mickey' Prebil, 85

Margaret "Mickey" Prebil, 85, died Sunday, May 19, 2019, at HealthCenter Northwest in Kalispell.

She is survived by her daughter, JoAnne Ford,

of Kalispell. Funeral services are pending.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Cleo Reed Price, 82

Cleo Reed Price, 82, of Bigfork died Sept. 21, 2018 at Invigorate Care Center in Whitefish. Arrangements are being

made at this time. Darlington Cremation and Burial Service is caring for his family.

Ronald Wayne Price, 83

Ronald Wayne Price, 83, died Monday, March 18, 2019, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center.

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

Mary Natalie Smith Priebe

^{PAL 14 Mar 2019} Mary Natalie Smith Priebe died April 9, 2019, at home in Whitefish.

A native of Charleston, West Virginia, Natalie graduated from Charleston Catholic High School in 1961 and from West Virginia University in 1965.

She is survived by her husband, Alan Priebe, and children Gabriel Brooks Priebe, wife Lori of Helena, and Genevieve Priebe of Seattle; and two grandsons, Liam and Kellen.

Daughter of Robert Clifford Smith and Genevieve Rose Smith, Natalie grew up surrounded by her brother and three sisters, Robert C. Smith III of Marlinton, West Virginia; G. Louise Taggart of West Palm Beach, Florida; Carol Ann Smith Locascio of Gainesville, Florida; and Therese Smith Cox of South Charleston, West Virginia. Natalie's nieces and nephews are Ann Taggart of Hollywood, Florida; Todd Riggall of Naples, Florida; Heather Riggall Duque of Palm Harbor, Florida; Jordan M. Cox of Charlotte, North Carolina; and Genevieve R. Cox of Bozeman.

Natalie moved to the Flathead Valley in 1973 to ski at Big Mountain and met and married her husband Al two years later. What followed was a lifelong love of Whitefish, its history, and the community. Natalie's proudest achievements, beyond



being a mother and grandmother, were coordinating the Big Mountain's 50th anniversary

celebration and, 20 years later, contributing to the opening of the Valley's first ski museum. Natalie was also very involved in her church, singing a reluctant soprano (when she'd been certain she was an alto) in the touring choir. She loved to learn, to read, to craft, to cook, to garden and to volunteer at the food bank. She was happiest when she was on the mountain on skis, though, and she leaves behind a community of people blessed to experience the passion she had for skiing over the last 50 years.

Natalie was a dedicated wife, mother, grandmother, sister, aunt and friend who will be deeply missed by many.

In lieu of flowers, please send donations to the Flathead Ski Heritage Center Museum, or the North Valley Food Bank.

A memorial Mass will be held at 11 a.m. on Monday, April 15, at St. Charles Borromeo Church in Whitefish.

A luncheon will follow Mass at the church.

Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish is caring for the Priebe family.

Janice Faith Prier, 59

PA 4
27 Feb 2019

Janice Faith Prier passed away on Feb. 18, 2019, at her home in Columbia Falls after she lost her battle with cancer.

She was born in Whitefish on April 25, 1959, to Floyd and Cecelia Barnhart.

Jan attended Columbia Falls schools and worked at several valley businesses over the years.

She committed her life to Christ in 1977 and served Him faithfully.

Jan married Dave Prier on Nov. 25, 1983. She was a stay-at-home mom to her two children whom she home-schooled.



She was a devoted wife, mother and friend. She was a great cook and canned the pro-

duce from the huge gardens they grew. She also volunteered at the Senior Center in Columbia Falls and counted it a privilege to help others in need. She had a servant's heart, was always cheerful and never judgmental.

She enjoyed Bible studies, scrapbooking, playing cards with her sisters and cherished

the friendships created during home-schooling days.

She was preceded in death by her parents, and two sisters, Linda Reynolds and Diane Barnhart.

She is survived by her husband Dave, her son, Logan and daughter Jade (Chris) Wittkamp; sisters, Cherie (Al) Gardner, Kathy Yang, Sandy (Roger) Erickson, Mary (Don) Reynolds, Frances (Jerry) Thomas, and Patty Arlt; brother, John (Karen) Barnhart; brother-in-law, Bruce (Betty) Reynolds; father and mother-in-law, Gilbert

and Erma Prier; sister-in-law, Susan Prier; brother-in-law, Bob Prier; numerous nieces and nephews, cousins and many special friends.

Jan was an active member of the Rock Church in Kalispell.

Columbia Mortuary is caring for the family. Cremation has taken place.

An open house is set for 1 to 4 p.m. March 2 at the Rock Church located at 690 Grandview Drive in Kalispell. Please join us for coffee, cookies and sharing memories of our beloved Jan.

Lila Mae Christine Pritchard, 98

Lila Mae Christine Pritchard, 98, passed died Sunday, Jan. 13, 2019, at Buffalo Hill Terrace in Kalispell.

A celebration of life will be held at 1 p.m.

Jan. 16 at Prairie Peace Lutheran Church in Cut Bank.

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

Philip Cyrus Provence, 97

PA 4
25 Aug 2019

Philip Cyrus Provence passed away Aug. 13, 2019, in Kalispell.

He was born Sept. 2, 1921, in Galata, Montana, to Oliver and Helen Meguier Provence. When he was a teenager his family moved to The Promised Land, Russellville, Arkansas, where they "almost starved to death." A lanky 6 feet-2-inches, he had to forego high school basketball for want of 50 cents for basketball shoes. As a child of the Great Depression, he never wasted food and if he could fix something, he wouldn't throw it out.

Phil served his country in World War II from January 1945 to November 1946 during the Philippine Liberation.



The war was something he would never talk about.

He married Emma Schmidt in Edmonton, Alberta, in 1956 after a blind date. But he had remem-



bered seeing her, when his parents moved to Canada, as a girl walking to school in her heavy wool stockings. They settled on a ranch in Lost Prairie, 45 miles from Kalispell, and raised three daughters.

Phil was, at first, a logger with his brothers and then a rancher. Phil and

Emma were blessed to be able to sell the ranch and retire fairly young. They traveled extensively with their RV and had many good times and good friends all over the country. These were years of great joy for them both.

Phil loved animals and treated them gently. He was happiest in his garden and woodshop, giving away the bounty he grew, and he blessed many with the furniture, crafts and jewelry boxes he created. He played the violin by ear and loved music.

He was first and foremost a gentleman and he was the benchmark his daughters would always compare men to. Stubborn and strong, he kept going long after his body wore out, as his

greatest and final need was to take care of and show his love to Emma, our "Mum."

He was preceded in death by his parents, brothers John "Jack" and Alan, sister Mildred, and many relatives and good friends, including his lifelong friend Lincoln Harris.

He is survived by his wife of 63 years, Emma, brother Ralph, daughters Patty Provence (Dave), Peggy Mathiason (Jim) and Betsy Winter. He's remembered with love by his grandchildren: Jolene, Kira, Beau, Erik, and Ben, and 13 great-grandchildren.

Cremation has taken place and his life will be celebrated at a later date by family and friends.

Mary L. Putnam, 86

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Mary L. Putnam, 86, of Whitefish, passed away peacefully at Kalispell Regional Medical Center on Feb. 3, 2019.

Mary is survived by her husband James "Jim" Putnam, and her son James "Jim" Putnam.

A graveside committal will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 13, at Glacier Memorial Gardens.

A memorial gathering will be held in the spring or summer with dates and times to be announced later.

Austin Funeral and Cremation Services in

10 Jan 2019
Whitefish is caring for the family.

Harry 'Bucky' Puryer Jr., 77

PAK 13 Sept 2019
Harry "Bucky" Puryer Jr. was born Oct. 19, 1941, to Harry Puryer and Anna Ashlaw in Hopkinton, New York.

He fell asleep in death on Sept. 6, 2019, surrounded by family.

After being discharged from the Navy, he moved to Montana with his father, sister and brother. While working as a sawyer, he met his wife Linda Sax. They married March 23, 1962. Their son Joe was born May 21, 1963, in Massena, New York.

While living in New York, Bucky was contacted by Jehovah's Witnesses in their door to door ministry. Shortly after, he accepted a Bible study and was baptized as one of Jehovah's Witnesses in 1974. Bucky enjoyed the outdoors and loved going to "The Cabin." To say Bucky



was an avid fisherman is an under-state-

ment! Most of all, he loved his God Jehovah and served Him the best he could.

Bucky is survived by his wife of 57 years, Linda; his beloved son, Joe, and his wife, Shari; his four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren; and his siblings, Janis Ashley, Susan Dalton and Marty Puryer.

The Puryer family would like to thank the Eureka Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses for their loyal support.

There will be a memorial service for Bucky at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 14, at the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses in Eureka.