

Marlin J. Metcalf, 97

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Marlin J. Metcalf, 97, passed away in Thousand Palms, California, on Feb. 27, 2020.

Marlin was born in Hooker, Oklahoma, on Oct. 26, 1922, attended local schools and graduated from Hooker High School in 1940. He attended the Panhandle A&M; College and married his high school sweetheart, Bathena Rider, in January 1943.

In World War II, Marlin served with the U.S. Army's legendary 82nd Airborne Division, having fought in France, Belgium, Holland, Luxembourg and Germany.

In 1955 the Metcalfs moved to West Glacier with a new addition to the family, Melissa Metcalf. For the next 45 years he managed a motel, operated a wilderness outfitter business, was the general manager



of the West Glacier Golf Course, managed a snowmobile business, operated the golf cart concession at the Buffalo Hill Country



Club and worked for the Montana Highway Department.

Marlin moved to Tri Palm Estates in 2002 and was a member of the Second Season Golf Club. He loved golf and everyone in the club loved him. Marlin played golf six days a week except Sunday. After each round he could be found at the patio with his golf bud-

ies. It is estimated that he played approximately 2,500 rounds during his 18 years in the park and at least 500 times, if not more, he shot a score under his age, a truly remarkable accomplishment.

In his storied, heroic and well-lived 97 years, Marlin Metcalf was blessed with many talents and uncommon good health. For those of us who were equally blessed to know him his hallmark was an always ready smile, accompanied by a warm personal greeting and a firm, sincere handshake.

Marlin was a man's man. Unassuming and humble about his many accomplishments, as most members of the Greatest Generation usually are. These rare qualities were what endeared him to those of us who knew him. The aura of contentment for a life well

lived was exhibited in the simple pleasures of a round of golf, played at a level that most men half his age envied; and then, almost always followed by a cigar, a beverage and simple conversation that inevitably included "How'd you play today?"

Marlin is preceded in death by Bathena, his wife of 55 years; his two older sisters and infant brother; and longtime partner, Janie Fagerland.

He is survived by his daughter, Melissa, in Kalispell.

Melissa wishes to thank his golf buddies that shared the stories above and also a thank you for trying to keep him out of trouble.

A celebration of life will be held Saturday, Sept. 26, from 4 to 6 p.m. at Buffalo Hill Golf Course.

Brian E. Meyer, 57

Brian E. Meyer, 57, of Columbia Falls, died on Saturday, March 14, 2020, at his home.

Family services will be

held this summer.

Darlington Cremation and Burial Service is caring for the family.

Bertha L. Meyers, 87

Bertha L. Meyers, 87, died Dec. 1, 2020, at The HealthCenter. Services are pending. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

LaVern L. Meyer, 85

LaVern L. "Skeeter" Meyer, 85, died Friday, Feb. 28, 2020, at Cabinet Peaks Medical Center in Libby of natural causes.

Private family services are being held.

Arrangements are by Schnackenberg Funeral Home in Libby.

Rachel E. Meuli-Hoisington, 64

Rachel E. Meuli-Hoisington was born March 29, 1956. After a long fight with cancer and COVID-19 she passed away on November 3, 2020 in Newport, Washington.

Rachel was born to Selmer and Evelyn Meuli in Whitefish. Her family moved to Quartzsite, Arizona, for a few years and then to Newport where she stayed. She met her husband David Hoisington while she bartending at The Pantry in Newport. They were married 35 years. Rachel and David became foster parents before adopting four brothers and sisters. Later they found out Rachel was pregnant with Amie.

Rachel also did a lot of volunteer work. She served 26 years as a firefighter/EMT, served at the Cusick Food Bank, and worked the Pend Oreille Poker Paddle.



Rachel would go out of her way to help anyone. She worked for the United States

Postal Service for 17 years as a mail carrier before retiring.

Rachel is survived by her three brothers, Marvin (Debbie), Ed (Debbie), and Gene (Lori) Meuli of Montana; and her husband, David Hoisington. She is also survived by five kids, Cindi, Mellany, David, Joel and Amie; along with her 12 grandchildren.

Six months ago, she had a sudden cancerous brain tumor that was quickly removed. She had treatments every other week and her plan was to go to Portland to have a stem cell transplant.

At her last treatment she received the great news that she was in remission. However, she needed a blood transfusion and learned at the hospital that she tested positive for COVID.

She will be loved and dearly missed by all. She is being interred at the Newport Cemetery. There will be a small family service due to COVID Nov. 13 at 1 pm. Sherman-Campbell Funeral Home will be presenting the service via Facebook Live for anyone who would like to see the service. In the spring, a celebration of life will be held for the community.

Sherman-Campbell Funeral & Cremation Services in Newport, Washington, is in charge of arrangements. Family and friends are invited to sign the online guest book at shermancampbell.com.

Bertha Leona Andrew Meyers, 87

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Bertha Leona Andrew Meyers, 87, was born on March 18, 1933 in Gravois Mills, Missouri, to Thomas and Beulah (Scarborough) Andrew. She went to be with the Lord she served all her life with on Dec. 1, 2020, from complications after a spinal fracture.

Bertha, known as Sis or Sissie, to all her family, was the fourth of nine children. When she was nearly 8, shortly after the ninth baby was born, Bertha's mother passed away. She and her siblings were adopted by her Aunt Bertha and Uncle Paul Adams, except for the baby who was adopted by another family. Her Uncle Paul was a poor tenant farmer, so he moved the family often. Bertha went to 11 schools in 12 years in Missouri, Kansas and Idaho.

After graduating from high school in the tiny town of Paul, Idaho, she went to Northwest Nazarene College in Nampa, Idaho where she met Ronald L. Meyers, who was studying to become a preacher. They soon fell in love and were married on June 21, 1952. After a brief time in Olney, where Ronnie taught grades four through eight at the small school there, they took their first pastorate in Libby. They went on to pastor Churches of the Nazarene in Glasgow, Butte, Whitefish, Sheridan, Wyoming, Pablo, John Day, Oregon, and Powell, Wyoming. When Ronnie's health deteriorated, they moved back to Pablo where he served as an associate pastor. Later, when he turned 70, they accepted a call to be the interim



Proverbs 31 Woman who left us a great legacy and heritage.

Bertha was preceded in

death by her parents, Thomas and Beulah Andrew and her step-mother Mary Andrew, the uncle and aunt who raised her, Paul and Bertha Adams, her brothers, Hubert, Paul, Vernon, Ivan and Charles Andrew, her sisters, Violet Autenrieth and Jane Mewes, her husband Ronald Meyers, son-in-law Jon Adams and step-grandson Jordain O'Neill.

She is survived by all five of her children, daughter Faith Adams of Kalispell, son Rodney (Lynnette) Meyers of Kalispell, son Jim (Lorraine) Meyers of Highlands Ranch, Colorado, Son Randy (Tonya) Meyers of Las Vegas, daughter Vicki (Paul) Funk of Nampa; grandchildren, Chris Adams, Todd (Cassie) Adams, Cody Meyers, Adam (Sami Jo) Meyers, Rachel (Tom) Albright, Bre Anne Meyers, Brenton Meyers, Brauhn Roberts, Seth Johnson, Shelby (Kevin) Harper, Conner Hammer, Rachel O'Neill, Cody O'Neill; great-grandchildren, Chance Adams, Isaac Adams, Neehl Adams, Dylan Adams, Isabella Meyers, Ben Meyers, Pierce Meyers, Trinity Albright, Ryker Albright, Landen Albright, Elijah Albright, Leland Meyers, Kaden Harper; one sister, Janice Scott of Nebraska, and by many beloved nieces and nephews.

pastor at Columbia Falls. They also served as associate pastors in Kalispell for several years. After Ronnie passed away in 2012, Bertha continued to live in their home, caring for the house and lawn by herself until her mid-80s, when she moved into a senior apartment where she lived until a fall in March, at which time she moved into a nursing facility.

Bertha was a sweet, wonderful and talented woman, and she was loved by everyone and was very much adored by her five children, her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. She loved her church and made many lifelong friends in each church she and Ronnie pastored. She loved to spend time with her family, read and quilt. She made the most beautiful quilts for her children and grandchildren until it became too hard for her to do. She also made quilted handbags and quilted wall hangings. Bertha was a

Bertha will be deeply missed by her family and friends. Her family is grateful for the care she has received at Immanuel Lutheran Care Center, Kalispell Regional Medical Center Emergency Room and Hospice at the Kalispell HealthCenter. She had some amazing caregivers, nurses and doctors.

Her family is being cared for by Buffalo Hill Funeral Home in Kalispell. A private family graveside service will be held at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery today, Dec. 11.

A memorial service for family and friends will take place in May or June when the COVID Pandemic will hopefully be over and the weather nicer for family and friends who will be traveling.

Memorial contributions may be made in her name to the Kalispell First Church of the Nazarene, 1295 Whitefish Stage Road, Kalispell, MT 59901; or to Orphan's Lifeline Int'l., P.O. Box 1100, Kalispell, MT 59903.

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WILLIAM "BUSTER" MEYERS

In loving memory of my wonderful husband William "Buster" Meyers who passed away on November 11, 2019.



*Loving you
is so easy
Missing you
is a heartache
that never
goes away.*

The loved husband of Trish and loving father of Coral, Jonathan and David.

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Maxine L. Meznarich, 87

Maxine L. Meznarich, 87, of Bigfork, died Dec. 7, 2020, at Lakeview Care Center in Bigfork.

No services are planned at this time. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Anita Rae Miller, 79

Anita Rae Miller, 79, of Bigfork, died Wednesday, June 17, 2020.

She is survived by her children, Wade Miller, Allen Miller, Pam Noyes and Penni Hand.

No services are being planned.

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

Arvin G. 'Buckshot' Miller, 85

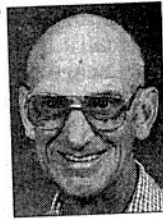
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Arvin G. "Buckshot" Miller, 85, passed peacefully from this world on March 28, 2020.

He was born in 1934 in Kalispell to August H. and Ethel E. (Jackson) Miller. He graduated from Flathead County High School.

He married the love of his life, Ayako Eto, on May 4, 1959, in Fukuoka, Japan, and they spent the next 53 years together. Both were avid bowlers.

He was a 20-year veteran of the U.S. Navy. After retiring, he spent the next 21 years working at the Defense Finance and Accounting Service office at the Naval Training Center in San Diego. In 1977 he earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in accounting.

He and Ayako subsequently moved from



San Diego to Japan, where she was able to spend her remaining years with her family. Following her death in 2012, he returned to Montana.

He was preceded in death by his siblings, Margaret E. Jacobson, Arnold H. Miller, Arlene F. Barry, and his twin brother, Marvin G. "Birdseed" Miller.

He is survived by numerous nieces and nephews.

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

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Annie (Ann) Caroline Miller, 82

Annie (Ann) Caroline Miller, born Oct. 3, 1937, to Otis and Minnie Miller of Miles City, passed away peacefully on May 22, 2020, at St. Vincent Hospital in Billings.

Ann was raised in Miles City and attended Sacred Heart School, graduating June 3, 1955. After graduating high school, Ann attended Presentation School of Nursing Holy Rosary for three years straight with no break, earning her R.N. Degree in 1958. Ann married Ord Clark, also from Miles City, and they had two sons, Steven Wayne Clark and Ward Alan Clark. The couple raised their two boys in Whitefish.

Ann had a passion for pushing herself in physical workouts with her treadmill, since many decades of running and jumping rope wore her knees out. Ann was always encouraging her boys in physical athletics and school. She would go skiing, (even though the cold was not her favorite), play golf, tennis and even go swimming with her water wings with her boys. Ann loved music and the church. She played the piano for her church and grandchildren. She was able to play anything she heard perfectly by ear, not by sheet music.

Ann was an active member of the community and an accomplished nurse, working into her 70s, receiving the "Nurse of the Year" award at Kalispell Regional Medical Center.

Ann was very proud of her two boys, Steven and Ward, as you could see when they were together. She would do anything for her grandchildren — Steven, Brittanie, Jordan,



Clifford and Austin — and just last year Ann was blessed with her first great grandchild, Hunter B'alam Burrows, who never ceased to make her smile.

When Ann returned to Miles City for a Sacred Heart class reunion, she reconnected with her friend Bill Bickle. With time their friendship grew into love and they were married in 2012. Ann was never as happy as she was during her time with Bill, working the ranch and traveling together to the many marvels of the world the two of them chose to explore.

Ann was preceded in death by her niece Tammy Hill; her father Otis Miller; and her mother Minnie Tyler. She is survived by her husband, Bill Bickle of Ismay, Montana; her son Steven Clark and wife Celia of Gilbert, Arizona; grandchildren Jordon and wife Amie Clark of Arizona; Austin Clark of Gilbert, Arizona; her son Ward Clark and wife Jenifer of Whitefish; grandchildren Steven Clark of Highland Park, New Jersey; Brittanie Burrows, husband Chance Burrows and little Hunter of Florence, Montana; Clifford Clark of Whitefish; sister Eunice Hill and family; and a brother Walter Miller and family.

Visitation will be held 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Friday, June 5, at Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home. A Funeral Mass will follow on Friday, June 5, at 2 p.m. at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Miles City. Rite of Committal will follow in the Custer County Cemetery. Condolences may be sent to the family by visiting: www.stevensonandsons.com.

If friends desire, memorials may be made to the Sacred Heart School of the charity of their choice.

Arvin G. Miller, 85

Arvin G. Miller, 85, of Kalispell, died March 28, 2020.

Arrangements are pending.

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

George Boehm Miller, 90

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There is no tragedy in the death of George Boehm Miller, 90, who passed away suddenly on April 25, 2020. Great sadness and unfathomable grief, yes, but there is no tragedy. He lived his life without reservation, giving to his community, friends and family with a whole heart. Nothing was left unsaid.

Born on March 6, 1930, in Detroit to George and Elizabeth Miller (née Boehm), George graduated from Cooley High School, attended Albion College where he met his future wife Caryl and completed his bachelor's degree at Wayne State University. He earned a Ph.D in Physical Chemistry from Purdue University and spent his career as a research scientist with companies including Marathon Oil, Sandia National Laboratories, Hewlett Packard and Occidental Oil, eventually being appointed Director and President of the Nova-Husky Research Laboratory in Calgary, Alberta, Canada.

A lifelong musician, George played the trumpet professionally during the big band era in Detroit. His long-gone green silk zoot suit is the subject of



family lore. He enjoyed telling the story of going to see the Tommy Dorsey Band as a boy and being befuddled by all the young women swooning over the band's skinny lead vocalist. "I had no idea who the guy was. I was there to listen to the musicians and all that screaming was annoying," he said. He went on to sing tenor in barbershop quartets and other choirs, directed several church choirs, became a pianist, learned and performed the bass guitar at his church, and in the past few months was learning to play the ukulele.

George believed strongly in education and was a lifelong feminist. He fully supported his wife in her career as a chemist and encouraged all of his children to seek higher education, pursue their careers with passion and find happiness. In the 1950s, he talked his way into the delivery room to be with Caryl for the birth of their first child, an almost unheard-of event in those days. He was a present

and passionate father from that day forward.

But George would be the first to tell you he was human. He struggled with his faith, yet persevered. He struggled with addictions to smoking and alcohol, beating them both. He struggled with the latest technologies, loudly sharing his frustrations with anyone unfortunate enough to be within earshot. Yet he mastered the iPhone, Windows (sort of), FaceTime and online streaming.

Most important, however, was George's ability to connect with people and those he loved. He was just as deeply in love with, and in awe of his wife as he was on the day they married. His greatest joys included his children, granddaughters, nieces, nephews, and the many children who followed. He treasured his relationships with countless friends, gladly sharing in their happiness and helping shoulder their pain. His sense of humor and ability to laugh at himself are legendary. These are the things we will miss most about him.

George is survived by his beloved wife of 69 years, Caryl; their chil-

dren Jeanne Miller, Rob Miller, Georgia Miller and her husband Tim Blood; granddaughter Sydney and her husband Chris Baker; granddaughter Robby Blood, sister Liz and her husband Jim Cook; as well as nieces and nephews Caryl Reese, Ann Hopkinson, Joel Reed, Mary Jones, John Reed, Tim Cook, and Caleb Cook. He is preceded in death by his niece Kimberlee Cook.

The family wishes to express their gratitude to the staff of the Kalispell Regional Medical Center for looking after George in the midst of the pandemic, and for helping to ensure that Caryl could be by his side when he passed.

George was a long-time member of Christ Lutheran Church in Whitefish. Due to present health restrictions, plans for a memorial will be made at a later date. Those who wish to honor George's memory are asked to donate to a charity of their choice.

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

Kenneth A. Miller, 71

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Kenneth A. Miller, of Bigfork, died Wednesday, June 24, 2020, in his home.

He was born Oct. 14, 1948, in Marion, Indiana, to Robert and Viola Miller.

Ken served in the U.S. Army for eight years, including time as an aircraft mechanic in Vietnam, and stateside at Fort Knox and Fort Sam Houston. During his service he was awarded the Bronze Star along with other citations. While stationed at Fort Sam Houston he married Nancy Oswald on Aug. 14, 1971.

After both were discharged from the Army, he and his family moved to Gustine, California, and eventually to Bigfork where he had lived for the past 38 years. He owned and drove a tow



truck, worked as an auto mechanic, and as a clerk at several local stores where he met many of his longtime friends.

He was a shooting enthusiast and reloader. He enjoyed reading, tending to his yard, cleaning and polishing his vehicles, and all-around tinkering.

Ken is survived by mother Viola Miller-Hogberg, sister Linda Baird, and brothers Phil Miller and wife Nancy, Keith Miller and wife Mary, and David Miller and wife Judy, all of Kalamazoo, Michigan;

son Dwight Miller and wife Kristyn of Parker, Colorado; son Scott Miller and wife Cheri of Portland; granddaughter Abigail Miller and grandson Blake Miller.

He was preceded in death by his wife Nancy, and his father Robert Miller.

Visitation will be from 3 to 4 p.m. with services following at 4 p.m. on Tuesday, June 30, at Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home in Kalispell. Military honors will be at Fort Custer National Cemetery in Michigan at the time of interment.

The family suggests, in lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Wounded Warrior Project at www.woundedwarrior-project.org.

James Clay Miller, 30

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James Clay Miller, 30, passed away on July 23, 2020, at North Valley Hospital in Whitefish.

James was born on April 28, 1990, in Whitefish. He was raised in Montana and graduated from Flathead High School.

He later went on to marry his wife Tessa Burns and fathered two beautiful children, a son named Wyatt Clay Miller and daughter Octavia Miller.

James served our country as an infantry soldier in the U.S. Army. James also worked in



health care.

James enjoyed hunting, fishing and camping. When he wasn't outdoors he enjoyed video games, electronics, music and

his guitar, drawing and, most of all, spending time with his dog, his family and his friends.

James was preceded in death by James "Jim" Wilson.

James is survived by his father Barry Miller, (stepmother) Karla Miller, his mother Susan Gallagher and (stepfather) Jason Gallagher; his wife, Tessa (Burns) Miller; and two children, Wyatt Clay and Octavia Miller; brothers, Matthew Harris, Mike Harris, Mark Harris and Marshal Miller; sister and brother-in-law, Kaylee and Greg Brennan; and three nephews; his grandparents, William and Louise Porteous, Helen and Louis Brundage, Bob and Shirley Miller, Connie Wilson, Linda and

Randy Gallagher; aunts and uncles, Brian and Donna Miller, Brad and Teresa Miller, Bill and Debra Porteous, Rodney and Glenda Munson; and cousins, Janna and Trevor McCormick, Jodie Miller, Sheena Miller, Tabitha and Jordan Venezia, Erica and Nick Friske, Suzy and Jerald White and Brad and Samantha Porteous.

Services will be held at a later date.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family

Kimberly Sue Mitchell, 50

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Kimberly Sue Mitchell, 50, of Rapid City, South Dakota, passed away on Dec. 24, 2020, and is now resting peacefully.

Kim was born on July 30, 1970, to Russell and Barbara Presley at Ramsey Air Force Base in Puerto Rico. After graduating high school, Kim went on to pursue a college degree in nursing, graduating in 2005.

Kim was beloved by all who met her, and touched every person she cared for with her warmth.

Kim is survived by her parents, Russell and Barbara Presley; her brother, Brian Presley; her partner, Jeff Mitchell; and her



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children, Brett Presley, Nurai Tucker, Ryan Tucker, Christian Lusford, and Tyler Mitchell; as well as many grandchildren whom she loved very much.

Services will be in Kalispell, which has always been her home.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be sent to the Autism Speaks Foundation.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.kinkadefunerals.com.

Timothy Monford Mitchell, 78

fAL 30 June 2020
On June 1, 2020, a community lost a great man, father, grandfather, brother and friend, Tim "Timmy," "Papa Tim" Mitchell of Marion, Montana.



for his gentle humor and quiet conversations

through wisps of pipe smoke. With his unflinching ability to remember their names even after only meeting them once, he made everyone feel welcome and, through his loving nature, earned the nickname "Papa Tim."

Tim was preceded in death by his parents, a sister, two brothers, and grandson Levi Schneider.

He leaves behind a brother, two sisters, his wife Rae, daughters Rhonda (Darin) Lamberson of Marion, Rochelle (Randy) Judd of 9 Mile Falls, Washington, grandchildren Julie, Janie, and Josie Lamberson of Kalispell, Jake and Josh Judd of Washington, as well as numerous great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews and countless friends.

And so it is with a great sadness in our hearts that we must say goodbye to this wonderful man. Farewell, "my friend."

Tim's family wishes to extend their heartfelt thanks for all of the prayers, generosity and thoughtfulness during this time.

A celebration of Tim's life will be held at the Hilltop Hitching Post in Marion on Saturday, Aug. 15, from 2 to 4 p.m.

Tim was born Feb. 13, 1942, to Jim and Lila Mitchell in Concord, California, where he lived until being drafted and serving in the Army from 1963 to 1966. He met his future wife, Rae (Mama Rae), in Seattle while on leave in 1966 and they were married later that year on Nov. 6. They lived in Concord where Tim worked as a carpet installer. It was during this time that his interest in crafting knives and muzzleloaders took root and, in 1979, Tim, Rae and their daughters Rhonda and Rochelle moved to Montana and built their log home in the mountains. There, he honed his skills and pursued his passion for not only gunsmithing, but also history and was an active member of the rendezvous community.

Of all the words used to describe Tim, boastful was never one of them. Kind, genuine, honest, inspirational and dedicated to his family and his craft were the words often used. Despite Tim's humble nature, his incredible talent and knowledge echoed in the beautiful works of art that were his handcrafted black powder guns.

Everyone who had the privilege of knowing Tim will remember him

Wilfred John Mitten II, 76

Wilfred John Mitten II, 76, of Kalispell died April 1, 2020.

He is survived by his wife Katherine, as well as his children, Jason Tyler Mitten, Mylinda Marlene Byers, Christine Sharmane Mitten-Elston,

Victoria Marie Feist and Wilford John Mitten III.

Services will be held at a later date.

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

Claudette Mills died peacefully on Jan. 22, 2020, surrendering to illness after so many battles where she came out the victor. Claudette loved life, and devoted hers to family, friends and fun.

Claudette Gimbel Mills was born March 10, 1944, in Missoula, the youngest of five children born to J. Alto Gimbel and Janice (Grubb) Gimbel. The family moved often, but settled in Columbia Falls where Claudette attended school with the Class of '62.

Claudette moved to Spokane in 1969. After working several interesting jobs (bartender, legal secretary and the police department), Claudette



settled in and worked for Kaiser Trentwood for 25 years and was a member of the United Steelworkers of America, Local 4017, SOAR Local 338-1 and, later, the Steelworkers Organization of Active Retirees. She served as recording secretary and treasurer.

Claudette belonged to the Washington State Labor Council Women's Committee, Spokane Legal Secretaries Association, the Moose Lodge in Whitefish, Cooking Club of America

and was a lifetime member of VFW Local 1435 in Spokane Valley. Claudette was also a member of SCOPE Edgecliff, where she served several terms as president. She really enjoyed all the aspects of SCOPE until ill health made her slow down.

Claudette was a wizard with knitting needles and crochet hook. She kept family warm with handmade scarves and hats every Christmas and made beautiful blankets for all the babies that came along. She modestly said she "usually won a few blue ribbons at the fair" with her projects. She also enjoyed working with her Knit and Chat group that

Claudette Mills, 75

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made items for Spokane Project Warm-up through the YMCA and SCOPE Edgecliff. Claudette also was famous for her pickled asparagus. She could make an IBM Selectric typewriter "sing." Claudette was preceded in death by her parents, brothers Frank and Joel Gimbel, her sister Marge, grandson Justin and mother-in-law Carmel Walter.

She is survived by her longtime companion Bruce Walter, her best friend. Claudette is also survived by her brother, Don Gimbel, of Columbia Falls; her four children, daughter Michelle Collette of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho,

sons Brad Wolvington (Teri) of Liberty Lake, Washington, and Scott Thurlow (Renee) of Detroit; and daughter Juanita Miller of Post Falls, Idaho; Bruce's children Kristie (Al), Jess (Anne) and Ralph and their families; dear friend Tina Fish Lundstrom and adopted twins Darlene Willy and Carlene Hammond; granddaughters, Faith Trickier, Amanda Bennett, Cindy Kremer, Savanna Frasier and Danielle Haase; three great-granddaughters, Mysty, Kiya and KayCi; numerous nieces, nephews and cousins,

and friends too many to count.

The family would like to thank Dr. Mary Bergum for her special care given to Claudette the last few years.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to SCOPE Edgecliff at 522 S. Thierman, Spokane Valley, WA 99212; or the Shriner's Hospital. The memorial service is scheduled Saturday, Feb. 1, at 3:30 p.m. at Hazen & Jaeger Valley Funeral Home, 1306 N. Pines Road, Spokane Valley, Washington.

Emily Lynn Mohler, 42, and Piper Jocelyn Barge, 3

On June 30th of 2020, Emily Lynn Mohler, her lovely 3-year-old daughter, Piper Jocelyn Barge, and a dear friend, Cody Nevins, left this earthly realm in a tragic incident of domestic violence.

Emily is survived by her loving parents, Tom and Jan Mohler; her remaining children, Haakon Zander (Kenzie), Tully Zander, Isaiah Diafos, Marley Barge/Mohler, and Quinton Zander (Rebecca); her three brothers, Josh Mohler (Mandy), Isaac Mohler (Lexi), and Sam Mohler (Cora); as well many, many other friends and family.

Emily was born on Dec. 6, 1977, in Kalispell to Tom and Jan. Her older brother Josh was excited to have a sister in addition to two more brothers, Isaac and Sam, who arrived later on. At a young age she was very interested in horses and the outdoors. The latter being an indicator of the major influences



throughout the rest of her life. She attended Bigfork High School, graduating in 1996. Always the athlete, she competed at the varsity level in nearly everything a small high school had to offer.

After graduation, she moved on to study photography, jewelry and goldsmithing at Flathead Valley Community College. She was an avid photographer who shot professionally in the area for nearly 20 years. For the past several years, she was a ski guide and photographer for Great Northern Powder Guides. In addition to her photography, she was a talented artist who created

stunning jewelry found at many Montana artisan fairs.

Emily's love of the outdoors permeated her very existence. She lived the life of the liberated, non-traditional mother, free from the constraints of others' opinions. Whether hanging by the lake with her lovely children, skiing in the Montana backcountry or dancing to an indie band in Whitefish, she always brought her extraordinary energy and free spirit. Not one to sit back and watch, she dove headlong into every moment, every adventure, every inclination of her heart; she moved in rare air.

This tragedy of domestic violence also claimed the life of her youngest daughter, 3-year-old Piper. All of Emily's children were the love of her life. Little Piper, the youngest, was an absolute beam of sunlight. Piper's life was stolen before it had hardly begun.

The number of those

affected by this tragic event is large; Emily's sphere of influence was vast. This event painfully lingers with no end in sight. What will shine forever brighter, are the memories of our beloved sister and her little girl. She moves through all of us, her blue eyes radiating behind her eager smile.

Our hearts will be forever broken by this tragedy, and in that brokenness, we ask others feeling trapped in abusive relationships to know that they are not alone. Local and national domestic violence agencies can provide additional resources and offer safety planning and support to other brave souls attempting to leave the dangerous clutches of an abusive person. National Domestic Violence Hotline: 800-799-7233; Abbie Shelter (Local): 406-752-7273.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Robert L. Mills, 82

Robert L. Mills, 82, passed away March 28, 2020.

Robert L. (Bob) Mills was born Sept. 2, 1937, in Burlington, Kansas, the only son of Arthur R. and Thelma Esch Mills.

He attended high school in Chillicothe, Missouri, and served in the U.S. Marine Corps and then in the U.S. Air Force, receiving honorable discharges and several commendations, including a certificate of recognition from the U.S. Secretary of Defense.

He married Margaret Hill on May 27, 1961, at Lowrey Air Force Base in Texas. He graduated from the University of Missouri following military service and immediately joined FMC Corporation as a design engineer at Pocatello, Idaho. He was later named FMC Corporate Electrical Energy Manager and worked in New York City and Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. He later returned to Pocatello where he held the additional position of Plant Energy Manager until his retirement in 1995.

He was a member of the Episcopal Church and was very interested in spirituality. He was active in community affairs, serving as a Cable TV Commissioner, a member of the Sister Cities Foundation, a Trustee of



FMC for Idaho, a member of the Ft. Hall Old Timer's and Children's Rodeo Committee, a volunteer math tutor

for several Idaho State University programs and a docent at the Idaho Museum of Natural History. He was a member of Juniper Hills Country Club and a former member of its Board of Directors and President. He enjoyed golf, traveling with his wife, fishing, hunting, reading and numerous hobbies.

Bob was the father of two children: David (Stephanie) of Kalispell and Alison (Brian) Whiteman of Parksburg, Pennsylvania, and the grandfather of four beautiful girls: Meghan, Haley, Brooke and Danielle.

He is survived by his wife, his children and grandchildren, as well as by his two sisters: Marsha of Moscow Mills, Missouri, and Evelyn of Fulton, Missouri.

He was laid to rest on Palm Sunday in the columbarium at Christ Church.

Joe, the son of Robert and Naomi Moody, was born Oct. 2, 1940, and lived in the Columbia Falls area most of his life. Joe passed away Aug. 24, 2020.

He was first a beloved Columbia Falls Junior High teacher, as well as a basketball and football coach in the junior and high schools. After retirement he worked at Western Building Center for many years.

Aug. 20, 1971, he married Lynne Connell Boyer and, soon after, daughters Melanie (1973) and Peggy Sue (1974) joined the family.

Joe Thomas Moody, 79

Joe was Joe's greatest outdoor love, from the time he was a toddler to June 4, 2020. As a member of Cascade Family Flyfishers he kept detailed journals of his fishing trips.

In 2006 Joe and Lynne began living in Eugene, Oregon, part time so that they could enjoy their grandchildren Sawyer and Naomi. In 2013 they sold their Montana home and moved to Eugene.

Joe was a talented woodcarver and many people cherish his ducks, signs and other creatures. Family and friends were the center of Joe's



life and we are blessed to have had a loving husband, dad, Grampie and friend.

Missing him so much are his wife Lynne, daughter Melanie Moody and husband Soren Gehrke of Germany, daughter Peggy Sue Kavaney, grandchildren Sawyer and Naomi Kavaney and their dad Patrick, all of Eugene, and brother Bob Moody (Mary) of Battleground, Washington.

Many thanks to all of Joe's supportive friends during these sad times and gratitude to Cascade Hospice.

Dillon James Moore, 25

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Dillon James Moore,



25, passed away on Oct. 1, 2020, of a pulmonary embolism at his home in Kalispell.

Dillon was born on Sept. 23, 1995, in Kalispell to James Moore and Brandi Hall. Dillon attended

grade school at Trinity Lutheran School, and then went on to graduate from Flathead High School. Dillon worked at the Boys and Girls Club and the after school program for the city of Kalispell.

Dillon grew up enjoying camping, fishing and riding four-wheelers. He love meeting new people and talking and visiting. He played baseball, football and basketball and met several friends during that time. Anyone who knew Dillon knew he had a kind heart and would do anything for anyone. He loved to make you smile with his dad jokes. He love his family and friend with all his heart.

Dillon was preceded in death by his Grandma Sally Hall, Grandma Moore, Grandma Swanson and Grandma Benson.

He is survived by his parents, James Moore and Brandi Hall; brothers, Rylan Moore, Brady

Moore and Cooper Moore; grand-parents, Keith and Linette Hall, Lance and Nancy Swanson, Lyle and Elaine Moore and Carlene Moore; aunts and uncles, Danielle and Jeff Dukeman, Keith Jr. and Robyn Hall, Lyle and Carolyn Moore, and Lance Swanson; cousins, Taylor and Wyatt Hall, Kale and Remi Dukeman; and several great-aunts and -uncles and cousins.

Visitation will be held from 4 to 7 p.m. on Oct. 9 at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home, with funeral services at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 10, at Trinity Lutheran Church and burial at Glacier Memorial Gardens.

The family requests memorials be made to Buffalo Hill Funeral Home or the GoFundMe page to help pay for Dillon's services.

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.

Michael Thomas Money

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After a life he described as an odyssey of wonder, Michael Thomas Money passed away at his home in Polson on Oct. 30, 2020, from the sudden, severe onset of Myelodysplastic Syndrome. He was at home surrounded by his family, looking out on the Mission Mountains, with his faithful dog at his side.

Mike Money was born the youngest of five children to Sandy and Rosemary Money in Cut Bank. Mike grew up on the Hi-Line with five close cousins and a great many friends for such a small town. The town of Cut Bank, Mike's siblings Sheri, Sandra, Raymond, Pat, and their cousins the Sheridans have always been a big part of Mike's heart.

After graduating from Cut Bank High in 1969, Mike attended Montana State University and served in the Air Force while starting a family with his first wife, Noreen Zapp. Their sons

Tony and Joe were lucky enough to grow up in Bozeman, with their dad taking them out to explore the state on hunting and fishing trips. Their

families, including Mike's three grandchildren, will miss him very much.

In life, Mike was proud to say that there was not much that he hadn't done when it comes to planning, real estate and development. He wore many hats at many jobs, meeting some truly great friends along the way. He retired from Big Sky Western Bank as a vice president in 2018.

Always dedicated to helping the folks he could, Mike was passionate about seeing his community find its way through explosive growth while retaining its soul. Like all of us, Mike felt

he sometimes stumbled, and sometimes soared.

Mike's second marriage to Diane "Peanuts" Patch in 1996 added even more family for him to love; and it is important to him that they all know how much they made him feel loved and welcome in their lives. He's made many memories with his in-laws, and celebrated the milestones of nieces and nephews with joy and pride.

Memorial arrangements pending better weather and less COVID will follow.

Donations in Mike's name can be made to Adopt a Sox, the Salvation Army, and the MSU Athletic Scholarship Fund.

We could go on and on celebrating the people Mike felt close to; he was just that kind of guy. Mike has family of all sorts, in all sorts of places; and now that his fight is over, we can all celebrate his strength and the memories he made with us. Touchdown, Bobcats.

Sherry Moore, 66

Sherry Moore, 66, died at Whitefish Care and Rehab on July 23, 2020.

No services are

planned at this time. Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls is caring for the family.

Nola (Bailey) Morey, 92

Nola (Bailey) Morey, 92, from Columbia Falls, returned to her eternal home on March 4, 2020, after a short illness.

Nola was born March 22, 1927, in Spring Valley, Wisconsin, to Mark and Theresa (Owens) Bailey. She was the sixth of seven children, including siblings Mark, Neil, Don, Avis, June and Ron.

Nola met and married her husband of 44 years, C. Robert "Bob" Morey, while working in Yellowstone National Park. Nola and Bob began an odyssey of working in various national parks including Yellowstone, Theodore Roosevelt, Big



Bend, Saguaro and Glacier. Nola embraced the Park Service life as a full-

time mom, cherishing the challenge of raising five children in wild and beautiful places. She didn't shy from taking them all fishing, camping, or hiking and loved telling the stories from her memories. When the Morey nest emptied, Nola took the reins of the Glacier Natural History Association and continued working to support

Glacier National Park.

Nola is survived by her daughters, Suzanne (Al) Morey-Menke, Tina Morey, and Rene (Jessie) Farias; son, Eric (Jenny) Morey and daughter-in-law Anjelika (Nat) Morey; her grandchildren, Tom (Christina) Menke, Kelci (Jerry) Skibinsky, Shannon (Robby) Pohle, Neil and Cody Farias; and her great-grandchildren, Daechen Menke and Loic and Evie Skibinsky.

Nola was preceded in death by her husband Bob, 24 years to the day of her death; her son, Nat; her grandson, Peter Morey, and her brothers and sisters.

Services will be held at a later date.

Donations can be made to Bad Rock Ambulance, 23 Columbia Pines Court, Columbia Falls, MT 59912; or Frontier Hospice, 42 Bruyer Way, Kalispell, MT 59901.

Nola's quick wit and keen ability to endear herself to everyone will be greatly missed in this world and joyfully appreciated in the next.

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.

Kevin Lee Moore, 51

Kevin Lee Moore, 51, passed away peacefully at his home on the 24th of February 2020, after a long, brave, and hard-fought battle with cancer.

Kevin served in the United States Marine Corps, where he excelled as a helicopter crew chief in Desert Shield/Storm. After moving to Colorado, Kevin settled into his career as a fluids expert in the oil and gas industry. He spent many years working downtown Denver, where he enjoyed his flourishing career and his many



friends and colleagues.

Kevin was a loving husband to his wife, Marcy, and an amazing father to his children, Britlee, Cole, Jessica and Cody. He enjoyed building and improving his home and was a true craftsman. He made the most of his life through simple pleasures; spending time with his family and friends, playing with his dogs, and enjoying the fruits of a lifetime of labor. Kevin was unique in his ability to be genuine and authentic in all aspects of his life. He valued his relationships and lived a life of gratitude. He touched the lives of many and will be deeply missed by all that knew him.

Kevin is survived by his loving wife, Marcy Moore; four children, Britlee Penney (Troy

Penney) of Whitefish; Jessica Moore (Jarrett Guinn) of Kalispell; Cole Charlesworth-Moore (Sabrina Charlesworth-Moore) of Brighton, Colorado; and Cody Charlesworth-Moore of Houston. He also leaves behind his mother, Darlene Moore, of Lake Havasu, Arizona; twin brother, Keith Moore (Suzy Moore) of Kalispell; and sister, Kelly Loudermilk (Cory Loudermilk) of Kalispell. Kevin has three nieces, and many aunts, uncles and cousins.

He was predeceased by his father, Leland Moore, and his grandparents.

A memorial service is scheduled for 9:30 a.m. on March 6 at the Fort Logan National Cemetery in Denver.

Delores Morton, 88

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Delores Morton, 88, passed away on Nov. 30, 2020, at Brendan House.

Gone from our sight, but not from our hearts, "DoDo," as her friends called her, was born Dec. 10, 1930, to Oscar and Marcella Loween.

She was the oldest of the four Loween children. DoDo lived in Hibing, Minnesota, until the age of 12. This is where her father worked in the iron mines as an electrician. A change in careers took DoDo and her siblings to the farming community of Verdale, Minnesota, where she finished schooling and then met Willard Morton whom became her husband Sept. 13, 1948.

In 1952 Willard and Delores moved to Montana for a short time and then moved to Oregon, only to return a year later to reside permanently in Kalispell. This is where they raised their family of three children, Jeff, Kathy and Bobbie. DoDo was a stay-at-home wife and mother while Willard owned and operated Morton Lumber. Although they resided in Montana, they traveled often to their original home of Minnesota visiting family and friends. DoDo has been preceded in death by her father Oscar, mother Marcella, brother Bob, sister Jane,



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husband
Willy, two
daughters
Kathy and
Bobbie, and
great-grand-
daughter
Jessie.

She is survived by her sister Judy of Oregon, son Jeff and wife Renae, as well as seven grandchildren, sixteen great-grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews.

DoDo resided at Brendan House for the past year. She has many staff that became family to her during that time. It has been the kind and dedicated staff that cared for her during the past eight months while family was not able to be a physical presence in DoDo's remaining days. Her family is very grateful for the care and commitment of the Brendan House caregivers.

Private family services are planned, with the public invited to the graveside services at 2 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 10, at Glacier Memorial Gardens.

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.

Lylla Jeanette Grande Morris, 96

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Lylla Jeanette Grande Morris, 96, died on Jan. 23, 2020, in Helena.

She was born March 9, 1923, in Kempton, North Dakota, to John and Emma Grande.

At 18, Lylla moved to California to work as a "Rosie the Riveter." She married James (Jim) Rupert Morris on Jan. 3, 1952. They were happily married until James died nearly 50 years later. They were members of the VFW and the Society for the Preservation of Dixie Land Jazz. They moved to Kalispell shortly before Jim's death.

Lylla enjoyed visits from friends and watching Lawrence Welk. As her care needs progressed, she moved to the Immanuel Lutheran Home. After both of her children passed away, her



new home became the Rocky Mountain Care Center in Helena where her friends,

John and Teri Vore, lived.

They wish to thank both Immanuel and Rocky Mountain for the excellent care she received.

Lylla was preceded in death by her parents; her seven siblings; husband, Jim Morris; daughter, Sherry Bridges; son-in-law, Ron Bridges; and son, Gary Morris.

Her granddaughter, Callie Morris, of Missoula, survives her.

A graveside gathering will be held at noon on Saturday, Feb. 1, at

Bethel Cemetery on North Somers Road north of Somers, followed by a

get-together at McKenzie River Pizza North at 1:30 p.m.

Donald Morton, 97

Donald Morton, 97, of Kalispell, died Tuesday, Dec. 1, 2020.

He is survived by his daughter, Linda Cusick. No services are being planned.

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

Dana Lee Morrow, 58

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Dana Lee Morrow, 58, passed away peacefully at his home in Bigfork on June 25, 2020, after a battle with liver cancer.

Dana was a machinist of 40 years, a fisherman, a martial artist and a family man.

He was born Nov. 22, 1961, to Delphin and Winona Morrow in Waxahachie, Texas.

He is survived by his wife Glenda and children, Bryan Ray of Michigan and Kristi Rubio of New Mexico; eight grandchil-

dren, two brothers Brian Morrow of Waxahachie, and Kelly Morrow of Ennis, Texas, brother-in-law Charles Compton of Rice, Texas, sisters-in-law Susie Nair of Waxahachie, and Vicki Compton of Waxahachie;

as well as numerous nephews, nieces and friends.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Kenneth Charles Mosbarger, 74

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Kenneth Charles Mosbarger, 74, went to be with the Lord, on 27 October 2020 in Spokane.

He was born on Nov. 29, 1945, in Kalispell to Ole Gunderson and Eileen Tunks Mosbarger.

Kenny graduated from Flathead High School in 1964 and attended Flathead Valley Community College. In 1966, he joined the U.S. Army and completed basic training at Fort Polk, Louisiana, and Finance School at Fort Benjamin Harris, Indiana, where he was trained as a finance specialist. Following training, he was assigned to Fort Belvoir, Virginia, followed by a deployment to the Republic of Vietnam from 1968 to 1969. During his Vietnam tour of duty he was promoted to specialist 5 and was assigned to Long Binh Post near Saigon.

Upon completion of his time in Vietnam, he elected to be honorably discharged from the Army and moved back to Kalispell. Kenny married Karen Joy Fisher in November of 1971. They lived in Kalispell where Kenny worked for the local telephone company until a labor strike caused them to move to Cheney, Washington, in 1976. During this time, Charles and Marc were born and both were raised in Cheney. Once their sons left home, Kenny accepted a promotion and company transfer to La Junta, Colorado. Kenny retired from the phone company in 2003. Following retirement, Kenny worked as a county deputy with Bent County Correctional Facility. In the fall of 2016, Kenny and Karen moved back to Spokane to be near family and friends.

Kenny enjoyed playing baseball in his youth and held his friends in high regard. His family heard countless stories



of his many friends and family memories. Kenny also had a great appreciation for fishing and music. He loved

his country and was very proud of his time in the Army, as well as the fact he served in the Vietnam War. He enjoyed coaching youth baseball and loved attending sporting events. He was always boastful of his two sons who made careers of serving their country in the U.S. Navy. In his later years, he took advantage of the worldwide travel afforded him by his sons' overseas assignments. In his final years, at Sunshine Care Center, Karen visited him daily and ensured he received wonderful care. Karen's faith and commitment to Kenny during his battle with his terminal neurological disease never wavered and showed abundant strength.

Kenny was preceded in death by his brother, Russell Mosbarger.

He is survived by his wife, Karen Mosbarger; two sons, Charles Mosbarger and wife Casey of Madison, Alabama, and Marc Mosbarger of Spokane; two granddaughters, Madison and Hannah Mosbarger; as well as two sisters, Ramona and Nancy.

A graveside service will be held in early spring 2021 at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery in Kalispell. Specific details will be announced at a later date.

The family suggests memorial gifts be given to "Cure PSP" at psp.org.

Kathy Moulds, 82

PAL 30 July 2020
Kathy Moulds, 82, passed away peacefully on July 24, 2020, at her residence at Buffalo Hill Lodge.

Kathleen Rose was born to Henry and Alby Mae Zeman on April 7, 1938, in Chamberlain, South Dakota. She grew up on their farm in the Bijou Hills near Chamberlain. After high school, Kathy attended Black Hills State College in South Dakota, earning her teaching degree. It was there that she met and married Jim Moulds in 1959.

Together they had two daughters, Charlene and Lori.

Kathy and Jim moved to Columbia Falls in 1969, where Jim was a high school teacher and coach.

During those years, Kathy worked as a substitute teacher, and was employed at Plum Creek Lumber. After leaving Columbia Falls,

Kathy went onto earn two master's degrees in childhood education and childhood counseling, and served as the principal of a school district in Central Montana. After Kathy and Jim retired, they settled back in Kalispell, where they enjoyed golfing and



spending time with their friends. After Kathy's husband, Jim, passed

away in 2002, she enjoyed spending time with her daughters and her longtime friends. She enjoyed bowling, golfing, bridge, volunteering at the hospital, and traveling.

Kathy was preceded in death by her parents, her four brothers, her husband Jim, and her daughter Lori.

She is survived by her daughter Charlene, who lives in Kalispell.

There will be a graveside service held for Kathy 10 a.m. Friday, July 31, at Glacier Memorial Gardens. Due to the COVID-19 precautions, the state of Montana does not permit Glacier Memorial Gardens to provide seating or overhead awning for shade.

Any donations in memory of Kathy can be made to St. Jude's Children's Hospital.

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

Karen Mae Mower, 78

Karen Mae Mower, age 78, entered heaven's gates on April 21, 2020, due to a short



but aggressive battle with ALS (Lou Gehrig) disease.

She was born July 13, 1941 in Lakota, North Dakota, to Roy and Leona Simons. She married R.D. Mower on Feb. 5, 1965.

Karen loved to always keep in touch with family and friends. She always sent cards and made telephone calls to ask how you were, always telling you she had been praying for you and your family/friend. She was a true, genuine, caring and loving mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and friend to all. She was kind and compassionate person, always forgiving and trusting in God.

Karen moved from North Dakota with her family to Lakeside at a young age and attended schools in Lakeside and Flathead Valley. She married R.D. Mower and lived in Somers, then moving to Fortine in 1966, where she lived the remainder of her life and passed away at home.

Karen worked many different jobs over the years, but a few were for the U.S. Forest Service, a nurse aide at Mountain View Manor, and volunteering at her church, Latter Day Saints. She had a love and passion for horses. R.D. and Karen had many great race horses over the

years. She personally competed in numerous events with her horses and won many buckles and awards. She held a national record for many years for an event called "the arena race" for the women category, in what is called an O-Mok-See. Barrel racing and trail riding were two of her main preferences with her horses. If anyone ever needed a horse to ride or wished to learn to ride a horse, she was always there for everyone.

Karen is survived by her husband, R.D. Mower; daughter Karleen Bergdahl; stepsons Dwyane Mower, Lamar Mower, and Bruce (Shelley) Mower; sister Lenore Burgess; grandchildren Stephane Mimentta, Bo (Megan) Mower, Zack Mower, Tia Mower, Darin (Melissa) Mower, Brandy (Bob) Lovell, Amber Solarez, Tracy (Dido) Ivey, J.D. Bergdahl and R.D. Bergdahl; numerous great-grandchildren; great-great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews, all for which she loved and cared deeply.

Karen is predeceased by her parents Roy and Leona Simons; sister Mavis Thornton; brother Kenny Simons; and grandsons Jesse Mower and Clifford Mower.

The family will be having a celebration of life later this summer. An announcement will be put in paper when we are able to have the celebration. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to ALS research.

Ralph D. Mower 'R.D.', 91

Ralph D. Mower "R.D.," age 91, chose to enter heaven's gates on April 26, 2020, due to a battle with cancer.



He was born Nov. 4, 1928, in Blackfoot, Idaho, to J. Ralph and Martha Lucille Mower. He married Karen Mower on Feb. 5, 1965.

R.D. loved to visit with all family and friends. "Good morning" was the greeting of choice, no matter the time of the day or night. He was a very giving person. If he had something you needed or could use, he would gladly let you use anything.

R.D. lived with his family, attended school and helped on the family farm in Arco, Idaho, until he entered into the Navy. His family moved to Montana in the late 1940s, and he then followed them to the Flathead Valley after his term in the Navy. He married Belle Blasdel and had three sons (Dwyane, Lamar and Bruce) but her battle with cancer took her from the family at a young age. He then married Karen Simons and lived in Somers. The family moved to Fortine in 1966, where he lived the remainder of his life, passing away at home.

R.D. worked many jobs over the years, but a few places he worked were logging in the area, the aluminum plant in Columbia Falls and N.W. Ironworkers — working on the Hungry Horse Dam, Kooacanusa Bridge, Libby Dam and various Ironworker jobs in Montana and Washington state. He was also a member of the Freemasonry.

R.D. had a passion and

love for horses. A better statement to describe R.D.'s love of horses, would be...he had an obsession with fast and athletic horses. R.D. and Karen owned, bred and raced many great horses over the years. R.D. won many awards for owning, breeding and training race horses in the U.S. and Canada. He has many albums of pictures of winning horses he owned and/or trained, plus numerous silver platters, silver cups, blankets, buckles, etc. that were awarded for accomplishments. If you ever needed advice on training or riding horses, etc. he was always there for everyone. If you needed a faster horse and asked him, he would give you one.

R.D. is survived by his sons; Dwyane Mower, Lamar Mower, and Bruce (Shelley) Mower; daughter Karleen Bergdahl; sister Lorane Sedgwick; brother Teck Mower; grandchildren Stephanie Minetta, Bo (Megan) Mower, Zack Mower, Tia Mower, Darin (Melissa) Mower, Brandy (Bob) Lovell, Amber Solarez, Tracy (Dido) Ivey, J.D. Bergdahl; numerous great-grandchildren; great-great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews. He loved and cared deeply for all.

R.D. is predeceased by his parents J.R. and Lucille Mower; wife Karen Mae Mower; sisters Opel Parr and Arta Blasdel; brothers Kimball Mower and Elmo Mower; grandsons Jesse Mower and Clifford Mower.

The family will be having a celebration of life later this summer. An announcement will be put in the paper when we are able to have a celebration. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made towards cancer research.



Kathy Moulds, 82

PA 7 29 July 2020
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Kathleen Rose was born to Henry and Alby Mae Zeman on April 7, 1938, in Chamberlain, South Dakota. She grew up on their farm in the Bijou Hills near Chamberlain. After high school, Kathy attended Black Hills State College in South Dakota, earning her teaching degree. It was there that she met and married Jim Moulds in 1959.

Together they had two daughters, Charlene and Lori.

Kathy and Jim moved to Columbia Falls in 1969, where Jim was a high school teacher and coach.

During those years, Kathy worked as a substitute teacher, and was employed at Plum Creek Lumber. After leaving Columbia Falls, Kathy went on to earn two master's degrees in childhood education and childhood counseling, and served as the principal of a school district in Central Montana. After Kathy

and Jim retired, they settled back in Kalispell, where they enjoyed golfing and spending time with their friends. After Kathy's husband, Jim, passed away in 2002, she enjoyed spending time with her daughters and her longtime friends. She enjoyed bowling, golfing, bridge, volunteering at the hospital, and traveling.

Kathy was preceded in death by her parents, her four brothers, her husband Jim, and her daughter Lori.

She is survived by her daughter Charlene, who lives in Kalispell.

There will be a graveside service held for Kathy 10 a.m. Friday, July 31, at Glacier Memorial Gardens. Due to the COVID-19 precautions, the state of Montana does not permit Glacier Memorial Gardens to provide seating or overhead awning for shade.

Any donations in memory of Kathy can be made to St. Jude's Children's Hospital.

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

Donna Louise Mudie, 65

Donna Louise Mudie, 65, of Bigfork, died March 1, 2020, at The HealthCenter in Kalispell.

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

John C. Mueller, 79

John C. Mueller, 79, went home to be with his mom



and family very peacefully on Monday, April 13, 2020, with his wife by his side as they were for 49 years. His passing was at North Valley Hospital in Whitefish after a long fight with being ill.

He was born on June 6, 1940, to George and Irma Mueller in Kalispell. He was an only child.

John lived most of his life in the Flathead Valley. He attended school and graduated from Flathead High School in 1960. In 1961, he enlisted in the U.S. Army. He served very proudly in Germany as part of Special Forces on the Wall. He came home in 1964 and did not speak about what he did during his service in the military. After his honorable discharge, John worked at Libby Dam; painted; and drove a wrecker for Wisner's Salvage.

In June of 1970, he met the love of his life, Audrey, in Kalispell. They were married in Kalispell on June 5, 1971.

On Feb. 28, 1975, they had their only son Frederick Carl Mueller. John would take his son out to fish and get firewood. He loved his grandkids. On special holidays, like Christmas, he would give them \$20 in \$2 bills. John and Audrey moved to Eureka in later years where he enjoyed the slower pace of life. He was a member of VFW Post #6786 in Eureka.

John was preceded in death by his parents, Carl and Irma Smithers.

He is going to be missed greatly by all. His family loved him very much and they hope he catches that big bull trout.

Survivors include his wife Audrey; son Fred and Toddy Tollin of Brookings, South Dakota; granddaughter Melissa Lime and great-granddaughter Alia of Kalispell; and three great-grandsons.

Family and friends will have a celebration of life at a later date with military rites. Arrangements are by Schnackenberg Funeral Home in Eureka. Online condolences and memories may be shared at www.schnackengergh.com.

Tyler Barry Moy, 36

Tyler Barry Moy, 36, died Dec. 28, 2020, in Bigfork.

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

Marlene Mudge, 71

Marlene Mudge, 71, of Kalispell, died Aug. 16, 2020, in Kalispell. No services are being held at this time.

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

Karl C. Mueller, 70

Karl C. Mueller, 70, died on Nov. 27, 2020, at The HealthCenter.

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

Betty Lou Deist Muender, 82

P A 6 28 May 2020
Betty Lou Deist Muender (nee: Paolini) peacefully passed away on Monday, Sept., 25, 2019, surrounded by loved ones.

Betty Lou was born in Eureka on Nov. 8, 1937 to Daniel and Opal Paolini, growing up alongside her sister Cheryl and brother Danny Keith.

After graduating high school in Whitefish, Betty Lou married Robert Deist of Kalispell in 1954 and had a daughter, Deborah. Their family was well-known in the Flathead Valley as the owners of the BD Quarter Circle ranch, where they raised cattle. Robert passed away in 2000.

A longtime fixture in Kalispell, Betty Lou started her professional career as a bookkeeper at Kalispell Rexall Drug followed by the drive-through supervisor at Conrad Bank (later First Interstate Bank). She later took a position as Personnel Director at Family Health Care



where she worked until her retirement in 2001. An avid traveler and social butterfly, Betty Lou visited various countries and cities around the United States throughout her life and enjoyed winters in Arizona with her second husband, Mel Muender from Whitefish. Melvin preceded her in death Nov. 5, 2018.

More than anything, Betty Lou loved spending time with her family (daughter Debbie and her husband Rudy of Bigfork, and granddaughters Andrea and Julie), joining them at the movies or on one of the many trips they took throughout the years. She will be remembered for her generous spirit, sense of humor and dazzling looks. At this time, the family is postponing services until a later date.

Jason Charles Mueller, 42

P A 5 5 May 2020
Jason Charles Mueller passed away on Monday, April 27, 2020.



Jason was born in Doylestown, Pennsylvania, on May 12, 1977, to parents Donald A. Mueller and Susanne Mueller (deceased).

He is survived by his wife Misty A. Mueller (Jones); daughter Heidi, age 6; sons Lincoln, age 5 and Colton, age 2; sisters Jocelyn Pruitt (Mueller) of Roanoke, Virginia, Sandra L. Landis of Jackson, Wyoming, and Christine A. Mueller of New York, New York; brother Donald A. Mueller Jr. of Lambertville, New Jersey; father Donald A. Mueller, 80; and stepmother Carol Mueller of Keene, New Hampshire.

Jason attended Avon Old Farms School in Avon, Connecticut, and was an outstanding wrestler. He graduated from the University of New Hampshire with an engineering degree.

After a short career at Harvey Construction in New Hampshire he moved West. He worked for a log home builder in eastern Wyoming before he moved to the Flathead Valley in Montana and founded Rock River Builders LLC in 2005 followed by Flathead Dustless Blasting in 2016.

Jason married Misty A. Jones on June 24, 2008, in Kalispell and attended Easthaven Baptist Church. Jason was a man of character. You could count on his word, he would help anyone around him. Everything he put effort into, he gave 110%. He not only taught our children but demonstrated knowing Jesus, relying and trusting God's direction. Jason was a genuine man.

In lieu of flowers, donations to the family can be dropped off or sent to Easthaven Baptist Church, 2010 Whitefish Stage Road, Kalispell, MT 59901. If you have any questions you can call the church at 406-752-7021 or Steven Landis at 307-690-1477.

MEMORIALS

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A memorial service for Jason Charles Mueller, 42, who died April 27 will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, June 19, at Easthaven Baptist Church in Kalispell. A reception will follow at the church.

Harry 'Tuner' Mular Jr., 86

Harry "Tuner" Mular Jr., passed away peacefully June 10, 2020, in the loving company of his family while listening to his wedding song, "I Left My Heart in San Francisco."

Harry was an avid outdoorsman who loved Montana, its nature and wildlife. He was also a lover of English literature and was renowned for his effortless recitation of Jeffrey Chaucer's "Canterbury Tales" in a perfect Old English dialect. Harry was commonly approached by former students, greeting him with their favorite Old English lines. Harry absolutely delighted in these moments and was known to be one of the most loved and well-respected teachers at Flathead High School.

Born Dec. 11, 1933, in



Beulah, North Dakota, Harry and his family moved to Butte, a town that Harry loved and deeply respected. Eager to serve for his country, Harry lied about his age and enlisted in the United States Navy, where he was a 3rd class petty officer, an airplane mechanic and received the National Defense Service Medal. Harry served in the Korean War and was honorably discharged in October of 1954.

On July 21, 1956, Harry married MaryAnn Casagranda in Butte and moved to Dillon

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shortly thereafter, where Harry attended Western Montana College of Education and earned his bachelor's degree in English and social sciences. Harry moved to Kalispell after college and proudly worked at Flathead High School for 34 years, where he pioneered two classes embracing his greatest passions: British Literature and Outdoor Literature. Harry received his master's degree in education from the University of Montana and remained a lifelong Griz.

Harry is survived by his children, Jeff and Jacque, his grandchildren, Rycen, Elliott and Oliver, and his brother-in-law Jim Fischer and his sister-in-law Ruby Mular.

Harry was predeceased by his beloved wife

of 45 years, MaryAnn Mular, brothers Jim, Bill and Andy, his sisters Helen Fischer and Zana Ankeny, his brothers-in-law Jack Casagranda and Skip Ankeny, and his sisters-in-law Judy Casagranda, Flo Mular and Lois Fischer.

A celebration of Harry's life will be held at the Elks Lodge from 4 to 6 p.m. on July 3. Guests are encouraged to bring their memories and any photos of Harry.

In honor of Harry's love for literature and the outdoors, a donation will be made to Flathead High School.

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.

William K. Mulhollam, 87

William K. Mulhollam, 87, passed away on June 20, 2020, at Buffalo Hill Terrace in Kalispell.

Bill was born Feb. 3, 1933, in Spring Valley, Wisconsin, the son of Vernon and Leila (Lancaster) Mulhollam. He grew up in River Falls, Wisconsin. He graduated from high school and attended college in Wisconsin. Bill joined the Army and was honorably discharged in September 1952.

On Oct. 19 1957, Bill married Teresa Ulwelling in Durand, Wisconsin, where they started a family.

Bill and Teresa came to Montana for his elementary teaching career. They picked and settled in Kalispell. Bill retired



from teaching in 1985. Bill and Teresa belonged to St.

Matthew's Catholic Church and Risen Christ Catholic Church.

Bill was an avid fisherman and golfer. He spent many days enjoying both. He also loved to play cards with his friends.

Bill was preceded in death by his wife Teresa Mulhollam, parents Vernon and Leila Mulhollam, brothers Neil and Gene Mulhollam, and baby son Mark Mulhollam.

He is survived by his son Bill (Carol) Mulhollam of Layfayette, Colorado, daughter Lauri Mulhollam of Bellflower,

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California, and daughter Nancy (Terry) Norris of Kalispell; along with numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

A Funeral Mass will be held at noon on Wednesday, July 29, at Risen Christ Catholic

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.

Steve Muller, 64

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"The house that Steve built"

Three years after a brain cancer diagnosis, and two weeks after his final ski, Steve took his last breaths Jan. 29, 2020. It was just after 5 a.m., when he would have been on his way to Glacier, or to run, bike, ski or kayak. He was surrounded by his wife and daughters, as a song written by his broth-



er played. Loving husband and soul-mate to Patti Jeanne, beloved father of

Skylar, Maegan, Sara, and son-in-law Paul, proudest of grandfathers to Xander and Jasper, eldest son of Doris and Walter, inspi-

ration to siblings Cindy, Marc and Jeff, fixture of and friend to all in Montana's vast outdoor competitive sporting communities, and to all who appreciate the beauty, power and peace of nature.

Steve possessed a high intellect, a sharp wit and a quiet cool. He saw every project and challenge as if it were a giant

Erector set. Whether it was building his home and family, working on his bikes and physical conditioning, or his brilliant photography and his intense love and knowledge of music, Steve's view was unique.

Aside from his family, his greatest joy was the outdoors. He greeted each day, often before the sun, to venture alone into the

deepest of wilderness that his beloved Glacier National Park possessed, to tend to the trails, the woods and wildlife. With the sun just peering over the most distant peak, the far-off howl of a lone wolf and the screech of an owl overhead, Steve was alive.

A celebration of Steve's life will be planned for the spring when friends and family from out of

state can visit and enjoy Montana.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Montana Wild Wings Recovery Center.

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.

Sandra L. 'Sandy' Mullens, 68

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Sandra L. "Sandy" Mullens, 68, died on Oct. 31, 2020, at Heritage Place in Kalispell.

Sandy, as she was known, was born on Sept. 11, 1952, in Redwood City, California, to Richard Hollingsworth and Thelma Ruffatto-Hollingsworth. She attended Fremont Union High School in Sunnyvale, California.

Sandy was preceded in death by her father Richard C. Hollingsworth. She is survived by her mother Thelma Ruffatto-Hollingsworth and sister Rae Carol Ruffatto-Hollingsworth of Columbia Falls, her daughter Dawn L. Hollingsworth of



Kalispell, her sons Richard Mullens of Kalispell and Joshua Nunley of Fallon,

Nevada, and granddaughters Jazmine Mullens of Kalispell and Jaelynn Nunley of Fallon, nieces Jeri Egger of Kalispell, Richia Wanderstadt of Clarksville, Arkansas, and Eleanor Hollingsworth of Columbia Falls, and nephew Jeff Burke of Columbia Falls.

No services will be held at this time, but a celebration of life will be held at a later date.

Jerry Murphy, 89

Jerry Murphy, 89, of Bigfork, died on Friday, April 17, 2020, at Expressions Memory Care in Kalispell.

Arrangements are pending.

Darlington Cremation and Burial Service is caring for the family.

Michael Stuart Myles, 61

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Michael Stuart Myles, 61, passed away at home after a short debilitating illness



born on March 5, 1963.

on March 6, 2020.

Michael was born March 25, 1958, to Earl V. Myles and Louise Helen Amundson in Kalispell. He was the first of three sons born to the couple. His brother Ronald Jason Myles was born just a short year later on March 10, 1959, and his brother Timothy Shane, another March baby, was

Michael is survived by his wife of over 30 years, Gwen Hopkins, his brother Timothy Shane Myles, and too many extended family and friends to count. He was preceded in death by his father Earl V Myles, his mother, Louise Helen Amundson, and his brother, Ronald Jason Myles.

No services are planned at this time. A memorial service will be planned at a later date.

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

Julie Marie Church Murray, 41

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 Julie Marie Church Murray, 41, lost her courageous battle with cancer on Aug. 19, 2020. She fought long and hard with whatever was thrown at her, giving 100% to remain with us family; staying with us long enough to watch her oldest son get married just 2 days before her passing.

Julie married Michael in Kalispell on March 13, 2007. She worked hard for the jobs she held here and there, but had finally found her niche as a substitute teacher. She loved to substitute teach any grade or subject for Lakeside Elementary and Somers Middle School.

Julie was always busy; whether it was floating the river with family, skills training at Bellevue Community College. He worked at Custom Industries in Bellevue, and at the King County Pool on Mercer Island, before starting a 20-year career as a courtesy clerk for Safeway, where he split his time each year between stores in Factoria, Washington and Lahaina, Maui before retiring in 2012.

Steve was active in the catholic church of Saint Monica on Mercer Island where he attended mass weekly and served as an altar boy in his youth. He was active in his community as a 50-year mem-

Steven Eugene (Steve) Mushkin

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family moved to Mercer Island, Washington. He lived with his parents until his father passed in 2012 at which time he went to live with Tim and Kerry. They moved to Montana in 2015 and in 2017 Steve realized his life-long dream of living independently when he moved into The Springs at Whitefish.

Steve graduated from The New School for Special Children in Seattle, Washington. He also attended classes at Interlake Cottage School for Special Needs in Bellevue, Washington and took vocational life

by long-time girlfriend and soul mate Michelle Thomas of Bellevue, Washington. Steve lived in Magnolia, Washington until 1966 when the

Melissa Ann Ellis-Munoz, 29

Melissa Ann Ellis-Munoz, 29, of Columbia Falls, died unexpectedly due to a motor vehicle accident on May 2, 2020.

Services will be announced at a later date. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Lancen D. Musser, 67

Lancen D. Musser, 67, of Kalispell, died April 5, 2020, at his home. No services are being planned at this time.

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

Midland, Michigan; and so many in-laws, aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews.

Services for Julie will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 26, 2020, at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home. All COVID-19 rules and restrictions will be in place. Friends and family are encouraged to visit our website wecare@bfuneralhome.com to leave letters of condolence. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

keeping with family tradition his ashes will be scattered off Napili Point, Maui in a private ceremony and whenever we see a rainbow, we'll know Steve is smiling down on us.

In lieu of flowers the family asks that remembrances be made to the National Down's Syndrome Foundation. Austin Funeral & Cremation Services in Whitefish is caring for Steve's family.

ber of the Mercerwood Shore Club where he volunteered in several capacities over the years and will be fondly remembered as the official swim team cheer captain.

Steve was a gentle and kind soul who made friends easily and loved chocolate chip cookies. He always had a smile, firm handshake, and big hug for everyone he encountered. Always willing to share, and help others, he will be sorely missed. In

Arlene Myllymaki, 79

With heavy hearts we say goodbye to Arlene Myllymaki who passed away on Friday, June 26, at her home in Missoula.

Arlene was born on Oct. 4, 1940, and was the daughter of Walter and Helen Myllymaki. Arlene was a proud Finn who spent her early years on the family's farm north of Stanford, Montana, and attended a one-room schoolhouse. Following her high school graduation, Arlene attended the University of Montana and completed degrees in journalism and history while raising two young children. She worked for UM's Upward Bound program, wrote for the Kaimin, and won many awards for writing short stories that described the lives of Finns in central Montana. One of her proudest accomplishments was being named as a guest editor for Mademoiselle magazine. She taught high school journalism, English, and history in Missoula and Broadus, Montana, and in southern Minnesota. She also served as the advisor of the schools' student newspapers where she encouraged students to use the writ-



ten word to challenge conventional thinking and social norms. After completing her master's degree at Mankato State University, she returned to Montana where she continued her teaching career and eventually became the founding director for Kalispell's Laser High School. Arlene was an avid reader, tenacious letter writer, and a Grizzly fan who was known for hosting epic tailgate parties and St. Urho's day gatherings. She also spent many years traveling the Northwest to collect antiques that filled her Kalispell home.

She will be missed by her husband, Harvey Stock, of Kalispell; her brothers, Gary and Bruce; children, Tami Knee (Kory) and Ryan Tolleson Knee (Tammy); two stepchildren, 10 grandchildren, and many extended family members.

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

John W. Myers, 77

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Friday earthquake in 1964. Immediately after the quake, he assisted with HAM radio com-

munications between Alaska and the lower 48 states, helping to get supplies delivered and keeping families connected. He worked for the city of Anchorage, inspecting water and sewer lines for damage from the quake. He then worked as an oiler/operator on a crane doing various jobs from loading/unloading freight at the docks, construction, miscellaneous quake repairs in the Anchorage, Seward and Homer, Alaska areas.

After being injured on the job, he moved his family back to Montana, where he worked for the Singer Sewing Company managing several stores. He obtained his Montana Real Estate license, opening an office in Great Falls and becoming active in property development, home building, real estate brokering, sales and exchanging across

Montana and nationally. He owned and managed restaurants, a motel, and an insurance company. He had some mining and ranching ventures in the Great Falls and Kalispell areas. His long-term involvement with MAREX (Montana Association of Real Estate Exchangers) was very important to him. He remained active in business until his passing.

John was active in the Sun Rise Lions Club and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks (B.P.O.E.). He also sponsored a men's softball team as the owner of Big John's Supper Club in Great Falls. John was an Eagle Scout. Beginning in his teens, he was a HAM radio operator. He was a hunter. He enjoyed cooking for the men's retreat and for the hunting camp on Ogden Mountain. He loved flying, and owned various aircraft. He acquired his first plane as a teenager. He enjoyed countless hours at his home on Flathead Lake, especially relishing his time with his family and extended church family.

In addition to his wife

Nancy Myers, John is survived by his children, Rebecca (Mike) Henson of Kalispell, J.R. Myers of Cut Bank and Rhonda (Jack) Hill of Iowa; siblings, Sheila (Daniel) Richardson of Golden Valley, Arizona, Roberta Mackamen of Whitefish, and Debra Osgood of Columbia Falls; grandchildren, J.J. Wetzel, Travis Wetzel, Anthony (Rachael) Syth, Cassandra Syth, Brian Hill, David Hill, and Wendy (Jason) Bratcher, Justin (Amy) Henson, Katy (Gary) Heron and their families; great-grandchildren, Garin and Eva Syth; beloved nieces, nephews and cousins in Washington, California, Arizona, Pennsylvania, Idaho, Montana, Oklahoma and Texas.

The family would like to express their sincere gratitude to Ed Ernst and his grandson Carson.

John trusted Christ as his Savior, and was baptized in Flathead Lake Aug. 17, 2003.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 10, at the First Baptist Church of Bigfork.