

Shirley G. Olson MacLachlan, 96

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Shirley G. Olson MacLachlan, 96, died Oct. 29, 2021, in Kalispell.



She was born June 24, 1925, in Redwater, Montana, to Clara and Elmer Olson. They moved to Kalispell in 1926. On June 17, 1950, she was married to Second Lt. William I. MacLachlan at Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Kalispell. They lived an Air Force life until he retired in 1974. At that time they settled in Bigfork along the Swan River.

She was preceded in death by her husband in 1978.

She is survived by her brother Donald "Bud" Olson; sister-in-law Virginia deLemos; four sons, Kenneth, Stephen, Phillip and James; one daughter, Sandra; and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Shirley, also known as SG, was active in the community with Sons of Norway, Women in Timber, Mountain Brook Ladies Club, Friends of the Library in Bigfork and Kalispell, and volunteering with RSVP and other organizations.

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

The family requests donations to a charity of choice.

Jeffery Macal, 59

Jeffery Macal, 59, died at Logan Health Medical Center in Kalispell Dec. 20, 2021.

No services are planned at this time.

Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls is caring for the family.

Robert L. Mack, 80

Robert L. Mack, 80, of Columbia Falls, died on Nov. 25, 2021, at North Valley Hospital.

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

Robert Frank Marceau, 70

Robert Frank Marceau, 70, of Kalispell, died Jan. 30, 2021, at his home in Kalispell.

Services are pending.

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

Robert Lawrence 'Bob' Mack, 80

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Robert Lawrence "Bob" Mack passed away Nov. 25, 2021.

Bob was born Feb. 5, 1941, in Salida, Colorado, to Annie Lea (Breckenridge) and Fredrick James Mack. He joined older brother Fred "Fritz" Jr.

Bob grew up in Seattle where he helped with the family owned rock excavation and landscape business. He graduated from Lincoln High School in Seattle in 1959. He proudly represented our country in the United States Army, serving in Vietnam 1959 to 1963.

In 1965 Bob married Rita Faye (Parks). They made their home in Shawnee, Oklahoma, and soon welcomed their first child, Lea Ann, to their family. Bobbi Gayle joined them in 1969. After moving to Seattle, their son Robert Jr. was born in 1970.

Bob moved to Whitefish and opened his own plumbing company, Master Plumbing and Heating, which he operated for over 30 years. He also served on the Montana Plumbing board.

In 1983 he married the love of his life, Lynne (Roche). Together they spent 38 years in the Flathead Valley area of Columbia Falls and Whitefish. He was a life



member of the Whitefish Masonic Lodge no. 64 A.F. & A.M., 32 degree Scottish Rite and a 32 degree Knight Templar, and Grand Master.

Bob is survived by his loving wife, Lynne; his children, Lea Ann, Bobbi,

Robert and Eric (Rose); his six grandchildren, Ashlea, Michael, Allie, Gracie, Charlotte and Conner; as well as his five great-grandchildren; and his brother, Fritz (Rena) Mack, niece Renee Teston and nephew Jerry Mack (Diane) of Washington.

He was preceded in death by his beloved parents, Jim and Annie Mack.

A celebration of Bob's life will be Wednesday, Dec. 8, at 11 a.m. at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers, his family asks that you donate to a local veterans home or charity, the Shriners Hospital, or a Children's Cancer Fund.

Gerald 'Jerry' Thomas Madsen, 81

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Gerald "Jerry" Thomas Madsen passed away on Nov. 28, 2021, at Logan Health from complications related to asbestos and agent orange exposure. He was born on July 30, 1940, in Karlstad, Minnesota, to Walter and Thelma (Lorenson) Madsen.

In 1947 he lost his beloved father and infant sister, so in 1950 Thelma moved Jerry and sister Joyce to Kalispell for a new start.

He started elementary school in Karlstad and then attended Cayuse Prairie, Deer Park and Boorman schools here in the valley. He went on to graduate from Flathead County High School in 1959. While he was in elementary and high school he also worked with his stepfather on the family sawmill. This was the beginning of him learning to fix and repair many things throughout his life.

In December of 1961 he enlisted in the U.S. Navy; after boot camp he went on to a sheet metal school. He was first enlisted on the USS Prairie and two and a half years later, then transferred to the USS Chevalier where he was stationed in Vietnam and would make lifelong friendships. He was honorably discharged in April of 1966.

Gerald then returned to Kalispell to begin his career in the sheet metal industry. He worked for several well known sheet metal shops, including Hundahl, Richards and General Sheet Metal. He also had many other union jobs that took him all over the state from Colstrip to Libby. He also worked in Alaska on the pipeline (a couple differ-



ent times throughout his life), and in Utah for some time. If anyone wanted anything made or fabricated from metal Jerry was the guy that

could do it. He was a perfectionist so it had to be perfectly made or he would remake it until it was. One day his grandson Rylin had come home and told him that he had heard from someone in the community that his Grandpa was famous for being the best sheet metal man in the valley.

In 1967 he was married to Jeanie Horstman and from this marriage had two children, Jeremy (1969) and Jeanice (1971). They would later divorce and Jerry would begin working closer to home at the Anaconda Aluminum plant in Columbia Falls. It was during this time he would meet and marry Sherry Kelch and from this marriage have two more children, Janice (1978) and Jason (1980).

As many know Jerry was also a collector of many things from sheet metal tools, old trucks, John Deeres, VW beetles, and his 1967 Camaro, that he purchased right out of the Navy; this car may have been just what sparked his love of classic automobiles. He also enjoyed going to the many antique stores around the state with Sherry to look for old Singer sewing machines.

Sherry and Gerald enjoyed the trips that

they took to family reunions over the years in Minnesota and the many reunions with his shipmates (from the USS Chevalier) in different states across the U.S. The most recent trip was this year in September to Duluth, Minnesota.

Gerald was an incredibly giving person and would never say no to anyone that needed something or help.

Gerald was preceded in death by his father Walter Madsen, infant sister Janice Madsen, mother Thelma Gamma, stepfather Calvin Henry Gamma, sister Joyce Stokes, sons Jeremy and Jason Madsen, father-in-law Everett "Tiny" Kelch, mother-in-law Edna Kelch, and brothers-in-law Dean and Bob Kelch.

He is survived by his wife of 43 years Sherry, daughters Jeanice (Jack) Myrtue, Janice (Justin) Mordja, grandchildren Rylin Madsen, Taylor Bilyeu, Gracie Hope, Vanessa and Joselyn Mordja, and great-granddaughter Thea Hardgrove Mordja; sister Roleen (Carl) Anderson, brother Roland (Ella) Gamma, sisters-in-law Ellen Creighton and Evelyn Kelch, brother-in-law Lloyd (Marcia) Kelch, aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins and his many friends he has made over the years.

Viewing will be Thursday, Dec. 9, from 5 to 7 p.m. at Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home and services will be Friday, Dec. 10, at 11 a.m. at the Fairgrounds Expo Building with a light lunch to follow, then graveside services at 2 p.m. at the Glacier Memorial Gardens.

Scott Alan Mahlen, 48

PAL 13 May 2021
It is with extreme sadness that on May 6, 2021, we lost our beloved Scott way too soon.

Scott was born June 18, 1972. He worked numerous jobs, from being in Dutch Harbor, Alaska, to painting houses in Kalispell, as well as building log furniture with his late grandfather Elmer.

Scott was an avid fishing and hunting sportsman. He had fished the Mack Days tournament for several years with his younger brother Jason. He always said he was in "awe" of his brother's fishing skills, and was ranked one of the top anglers throughout the years. He was fond of wind therapy on his Harley, and loved to go on rides with his sister Summer and friends. Scott loved to have fun and was the life of the party with his jokes or dance moves — he could always make anyone laugh.

He is survived by his parents, Linda and David Sighting, of Kalispell; his father, Bruce Mahlen, of Shoshoni, Wyoming;



grandmother Naomi Morris, brother Jason and wife Anna Mahlen, sister

Wendy and husband Jeff Nortome, sister Kayla and husband Jordan Laven, and sister Summer and husband Jason Laven, all of Kalispell. Scott's children were the light of his life. He is also survived by his partner of many years, Sophie Owen, and their daughters Olivia and Naomi. He is survived by daughter Kendra and grandson Kingston; daughter Ashley An and grandson Aaron; and daughter Josie, brother-in-law Nick and wife Crystal Sighting, brother-in-law Brandon and wife Talina Sighting and sister-in-law Melissa Sighting.

Life will never be the same for us without our happy, caring, loving, young funny Scottie. We will love you forever.

A memorial ride poker run will be held June 5.

Jacob Julius Major, 47

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Jacob Julius Major left this world on July 25, 2021.

Jacob was born March 2, 1974, in Kalispell to Rebecca and Wintzel Major. He joined his older sister Lisa. Jacob grew up and attended school in the Flathead Valley and graduated from Flathead High School. He later attended college in Dillon where he met and later married Lydia Rodriguez. From that union two amazing children were born, first Angelinda, and a few years later Francisco arrived. Jacob's children were his entire world. There was nothing he enjoyed more than spending his time with his kids creating memories. He always felt they were his favorite "hang" and there was no place he would rather be than with them.

Jacob was an avid junk collector and could fix anything! He was a gifted artist and creative genius and he loved few



things more than playing his guitar around a campfire after a day of fishing.

Jacob was a kind and gentle soul who loved his family, and our lives will be a little less bright without him.

Jacob leaves behind his mom and dad, his sister Lisa, his wife Lydia, his beloved kids Angel and Cisco, and his many aunts, uncles and cousins, and his best friend Jesse; and in the words of Jesse, "Jake was a 'rad dude!'" Rest easy, Jake, we are sure gonna miss you.

Join us for a potluck celebration of life Friday, Oct. 22, from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Birch Grove Community Center, 594 Birch Grove Road, Kalispell. Stop by for a bite and share any stories and photos of Jacob.

Helen Major, 92

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Helen was born Helen Woods May 25, 1928, in Oilmont, Montana, to James and Marie Woods. As a child Helen and her family moved to the Flathead where she attended school.

In 1946 Helen married Julius Major in Great Falls. They resided in the Flathead where they remained and raised five children,

Helen was employed at several local businesses, such as a switchboard operator at Ma Bell phone company, Rexall Drug and Montgomery Ward.

Helen passed Monday,



April 19, 2021.

Helen was preceded in death by her husband Julius,

her daughters Judy and Janelle, her son Charles and granddaughter Hallie.

Helen is survived by her sons Jay and Wintzel, and many grandchildren and great-grandchildren, and great-great-grandchildren

A memorial will take place at a later date.

James Michael Malley, 28

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With deepest sorrow, we announce that we have lost our beloved son, brother, father, husband and friend. On Oct. 2, 2021, James Michael Malley, 28, grabbed his skis and moved on to the next mountain.



their time together they built a beautiful life that included two more precious

Those who knew James, even just a little, lost a shining light in their lives.

James was born on an icy, cold winter's eve in Sidney, Montana, on Dec. 17, 1992.

He was a happy baby and a curious and fun-loving little boy. James and his parents moved to Minot, North Dakota, in 1994, where they would reside until 2001. In 1997, the family welcomed his brother, Zach, into the world. James loved being a big brother and would spend many hours teaching his little brother all the things he could. One of Zach's fondest memories was of the day his big brother taught him to ride a bicycle without the training wheels.

James and his family traveled the country for four years during his childhood, an experience that instilled in him a love for discovering new places. In 2006, the family bought a home and settled in the Flathead Valley. James discovered a love of skiing up on Big Mountain, where he would log tens of thousands of vertical feet in his short life.

James became a father in 2012 when he welcomed a beautiful daughter, Maddison Grace Malley, into the world.

On Nov. 12, 2013, James met the love of his life, Brittney Ann Herman. The two had an immediate connection. They were married on July 7, 2016. The couple hosted a wedding and family gathering the next summer to celebrate their love. During

girls, Gracelynn Jade and Presley Ann. James was a dedicated father and his beautiful family was the center of his universe.

James was an adventurous soul who loved nothing more than to ski the Big Mountain and take his family on outdoor adventures — camping, boating, hunting, shooting and travel.

Those who know James would say that his personality was larger than life and so too was his heart.

James is survived by his parents, Doug and Denice Malley; his brother, Zach Malley; loving wife, Brittney Herman Malley; three daughters, Maddison (9), Gracelynn (7), Presley (1); and grandmother, Sharon Keeley; along with many other relatives and friends, including his best friend, Tyler Parker.

James was preceded in death by his grandmother, Donna Malley; his cousin, Mark A. Keeley IV; uncle, Steven Siefert; and grandfather, Mark A. Keeley III.

The family will be hosting a celebration of James' life on Saturday, Oct. 9, at 11 a.m. at Canvas Church in Kalispell.

Anyone wishing to help James' family during this time of need can contact Colt Scovel, 406-890-5934.

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

James F. Malone III, 77

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James F. Malone III, Esq., 77, formerly of Pittsburgh (born in Stanton Heights), passed peacefully in Hobe Sound, Florida, on March 1, 2021.

He is survived by his loving wife, Janet. He is a graduate of Shady Side Academy, the Pennsylvania State University, and received his law degree in 1969 from the University of Pittsburgh.

Jim is remembered as an honorable, intelligent and well-respected attorney in Allegheny County for more than 40 years before retiring and splitting his time between Florida and Montana. He was a former director and shareholder of Dickie, McCamey and Chilcote, P.C. before starting the law firm of Malone, Larchuk and Middleman, P.C. in Wexford, Pennsylvania. He served on the board of directors of PMA Insurance Company and was a former chairman of the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission.

Jim was an accom-

plished golfer and was a member of the Oakmont Country Club, Oakmont, Pennsylvania, where he served on the board of governors and was the president from 1991 to 1995, during which time Oakmont hosted the 1992 Women's U.S. Open as well as the 1994 Men's U.S. Open where he served as chairman of both events. He was a current member of Loblolly Pines Golf Club and McArthur Golf Club, Hobe Sound, as well as Iron Horse Golf Club, Whitefish.

Cremation has taken place at the Aycock Funeral Home, Stuart, Florida.

Visitation and services are private.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Humane Society of Northwest Montana, Humane Society of the Treasure Coast, Florida, or Humane Animal Rescue of Pittsburgh.

Eternal rest grant unto him Lord and let perpetual light shine upon him and may he rest in peace.

Richard Mamnette, 70

Richard Mamnette, 70, of Kalispell died on May 11, 2021, at America's Best Value Inn. Services are pending. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for the family.

Ray Managhan Jr., 86

Ray Managhan Jr., 86, passed away on Monday, Feb. 1, 2021, at Hidden Meadow Memory Care in Columbia Falls.

Ray was born June 19, 1934, in Kalispell to Ray and Bernice Managhan and raised on the family farm in Smith Valley. He graduated from Flathead High School in 1953.

Ray went to work in the United States Forest Service in Whitefish at age 18, and retired in 1983. He spent the majority of his Forest Service Career cruising woods, working in Whitefish Lookout, Fighting Forest Fires, you name it he did it. Ray logged 10-15 miles walking a day for most his career, and maintained that level fitness his entire life.

Ray met the love of his life, Beverly at the Bald Rock Community Center in April of 1953 at



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a monthly dance. Ray married Beverly in October 1954, having three children.

They lived in Whitefish until 2006, then Kalispell.

He was a construction expert, before, during, and after his career with the Forest Service. He built the family home by hand at 433 Iowa Ave. in Whitefish. Drive by sometime and see it. He constructed several homes for others during his life, and countless roofs, sheds and garages.

Ray was a dedicated member (Pilgrim) of the Loyal Order of Moose. He spent 1000s of hours in his life working on Moose related causes and charity events. He supported Beverly's dedication to

her singing group, the Calamity Singers, spending countless hours typing sheet music, and helping Bev with organization during their live and recording engagements.

He loved gardening, he would come home daily from work and spend a couple hours working in the garden. He loved fresh strawberries, and 90% of the time for breakfast or lunch he had a big strawberry waffle. Hamburgers, and strawberry waffles made Ray tick! He was an avid camper, using the same camper for 35 years, both in the woods cruising timber for Plum Creek months at a time, or at Tally Lake or Radnor with his wife Beverly.

Ray lived a strong, resilient independent life. For 86.5 years he took care of himself and only had a couple rough

months, undoubtedly a result of his great physical fitness from a lifetime of walking and hard work.

Ray was preceded in death by his mother Bernice, father Ray, wife Beverly, and grandson Christopher.

Ray is survived by his younger sisters, Faye (Freeman), Thelma (Diciocco), Patty (Binegar); and brothers, Robert and Richard; sons, Mike (Lil), Doug (Norma); and daughter Cindy (Gary); six grandchildren, and 11 great-grandchildren.

A celebration of life will be held for Ray at the Whitefish Moose Lodge when large gatherings are allowed again.

In lieu of flowers, make a donation to Dad's charity, Mooseheart.

Ray Managhan Jr.

A celebration of life for Ray Managhan Jr., 86, who died Feb. 1, will be held at 4:15 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 2, at the Whitefish Moose Lodge.

Wear casual attire and masks are encouraged.

Helen M. Manion, 92

Helen M. Manion, sharp and witty until the very end, passed away peacefully at the age 92 in Kalispell.

Helen, a cancer survivor, attributed her longevity to a diet filled with home cooked food and many years of love and care for a pup named Pooh Bear.

Helen was born Nov. 12, 1928, in Anaconda and was the only child of Jeff and Kay Wilcocks, of Victor and Missoula. She grew up in both Anaconda and Spokane, but eventually moved to Missoula where she attended Missoula County High School (Hellgate) and the University of Montana. Following school, Helen worked in the billing department at the Missoulian newspaper, during which time she met Albert "Barry" Braunberger, a local optometrist. The two were later married and started their family in Kalispell, in an upstairs apartment across the street from the Conrad Mansion. Barry opened an optometry practice above Braunberger



Jewelry, his father's store on Main Street, later moving his practice into the Buttrely

Building.

Helen and Barry raised six children in Kalispell. You could regularly find the two of them at local track meets or ski events, keeping time or cheering on one of their kids. Helen served as Big Mountain race secretary for several years, coordinating registrations, posting times and recording results, and helping host skiers from across the Northern Division ski region. When she wasn't assisting the ski team, you could find her out on the slopes with family and friends.

After Dr. Braunberger's death in 1971, Helen married Gerald M. "Bud" Manion of River Falls, Wisconsin, an owner of Manion Motors of Kalispell. Bud quickly became part of the family, helping to

raise Helen's youngest children.

Living across from Buffalo Hill Golf Course in Kalispell and with a home in Sun City West, Arizona, Helen had easy access to golf, a pastime she and Bud happily shared together. Each year, they travelled to the Montana State Senior golf tournament, an event they looked forward to with anticipation. However, Helen wasn't only an avid fan of golf, she was a huge sports enthusiast, particularly of basketball. Helen spent countless hours watching and cheering on her favorite teams, including the University of Montana Grizzlies, Gonzaga Bulldogs, Phoenix Suns and the Utah Jazz.

While watching games or riding in the car, she kept her hands busy with knitting needles, crafting intricate and detailed sweaters, ski hats and afghans. She also enjoyed the quiet solitude of gardening; her backyard filled with meticulously manicured floral gardens,

holding some of the biggest and best floral blossoms in the area, in her early years submitting her favorites for competition at the Flathead County Fair.

Helen treasured visiting with friends and spending time at her summer home on Flathead Lake, often hosting yearly Fourth of July celebrations attended by her large and extended family.

Helen is survived by her six children, Bill (Mary) Braunberger, of Liberty Lake, Washington, Jeff (Kathy) Braunberger, Brian (Donna) Braunberger, and Mary Kay (Fred) Wallner of Kalispell, Gigi (Richard) Moy of Helena, and Ema Lou Braunberger (Jim) Caldwell of Whitefish. She had 10 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren, as well as numerous friends living in Kalispell and around the region. A memorial service will be scheduled at a later date.

Myrla E. Mapel, 92

Myrla E. Mapel, 92, of Kalispell, died June 5, 2021, at her home.

Services will be held in Lake City, Iowa. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

John Walter "JW" Marrinan, 12

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John Walter "JW" Marrinan was born May 9, 2009, in Polson to Elena Susanne and John Michael Marrinan. He passed away on Sept. 30, 2021, in Kalispell.

Despite many people telling him he had an "old soul," JW was taken much too early in his life from his mom, dad and older brother Michael Clancy and all who knew him.

JW may not have enjoyed big crowds of people, but did enjoy golfing, hunting, skiing and working on the ranch. If he wasn't outside spinning his wheels, he was probably taking in a little R & R watching an old black and white Western. If it wasn't Roy Rogers or Gene Autry, you were guaranteed John Wayne would be on at some time. Not sure if there were too many John Wayne movies he hadn't seen. Once movie time was over it was time for the Lego room, where he built everything from Star Wars to Civil War and even remote-controlled construction equipment. He even found time to design a house to build on the ranch, a master retreat for mom to relax, a set of corrals to work cattle with his dad, and some knives for his brother to build. His mind was always working on how to make things "theoretically" work faster and smoother.

JW had a great way of saying things that were never hurtful but made a



point. For instance, "How old is that cow?" when looking at an old cow. Wisdom

from a 12 year old is often the best. JW had a way of telling you the truth without hurting your feelings and making you even ponder in deep thought.

JW is survived by his parents, John and Elena, and older brother Michael Clancy Marrinan, grandparents Michael Marrinan, Peggy Marrinan, Gary and Colleen Dunlop, and numerous aunts, uncles, cousins and extended family.

A funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 9, at the Camas Prairie gym. If you are feeling ill or have any health concerns, please do not feel obligated to attend. You can reach out to the family at a later time. A luncheon and a private family burial will follow.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks for donations to be made to Camas Prairie Neighbors at 251 Camas Creek Road, Plains, MT 59859, in his name.

Memories and condolences may be sent to the family at www.lakefuneralhomeandcremation.com.

Arrangements are under the care of The Lake Funeral Home and Crematory.

MEMORIALS

Peggy E. Saurey Marantette

P 48 27 June 2021
A memorial gathering for Peggy E. Saurey Marantette, 95, who died July 3, 2020, in Whitefish, will be held outside on July 3 at 10 a.m. at Woodlawn Cemetery in Columbia Falls.

Bertha S. Martin, 86

Bertha S. Martin, 86, died April 17, 2021, at her home in Kalispell.

No services will be held. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Richard 'Dick' Neil Marsh, 92

PA 5 12 May 2021
Richard "Dick" Neil Marsh, 92, passed away on Sunday, May 9, 2021, at Prestige Memory Care, with his family by his side.

Dick is survived by his wife Valerie, daughters Sheryl (Jerry) Martens, Susan (Lloyd) Bauer and Julie (Joe)

Lindell, as well as six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

An open house will be held at the Marsh home on Sunday, May 16, starting at 2 p.m.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Shirley Anne Marsh, 97

PA 6 3 Nov 2021
Shirley Anne Marsh, 97, residing in Kalispell, died on Oct. 30, 2021.

She is survived by her daughter, Sara Rae Marsh; and daughter-in-law, Karen Elizabeth Pfeifer; and four grandchildren, Daniel Sawyer Marsh, Rose Sawyer Marsh, Alex Pfeifer-Rosenblum, Rebecca Pfeifer-Rosenblum and grandson-in-law Mike McKellar.

She was predeceased by her brother, Richard Peterson; and her sons, William Andrew Marsh and Benjamin Raymond

Marsh; and her ex-husband, Raymond Marsh; and her dear friend, Mary Ruth Mumby.

Shirley was born on Jan. 21, 1924, to Alice (Taylor) and Walter Peterson in Washington, Iowa. She moved to California in the 1940s, worked as a secretary for the shipyard workers during the war, and later earned a degree in anthropology from



UC Berkeley in 1952, graduating phi beta kapa. She raised her three children during the '50s and became an elementary school teacher in the '60s in the Berkeley Public schools. After retirement she traveled throughout the U.S. and Europe, living in Colorado and Massachusetts before settling in Montana in 2000.

Shirley was an avid reader, news watcher and advocate for the causes she believed in, especially defending the rights of

the vulnerable and disenfranchised. She had a motherly, loving nature and there were many who claimed her as "Mom" throughout the years. She also had a quick wit and often enjoyed a good laugh with friends. She will be missed and long remembered, with love.

The family plans to have a memorial service some time in the spring when it will hopefully be safer to gather.

In lieu of flowers, please donate to the Flathead Food Bank in her honor.

Duane Lee Marshall, 78

PAT 1 Aug 2021

It is with great sadness that we announce the death of our beloved husband,



father, grandfather and friend, Duane Lee Marshall. Duane passed away on May 18, 2021, after a six-year battle with Parkinson's disease and all of its terrible complications.

Duane was born in Kalispell on Sept. 11, 1942, to Leonard and Corlea Marshall. He was a farm boy at heart and grew up on a diversified farm located on the shores of the Flathead River, with a spectacular view of the Rocky Mountains. The farm had been in the family for four generations. It was settled by his Marshall ancestors who came from Coffeerville, Kansas, looking for good farm land in 1910. There, his solid character was built and he learned to work hard, be efficient and innovative and live life with patience and wisdom. Like most farmers, he was a problem solver and could fix anything. He and his brother, Terry, spent their few hours of relaxation fishing and swimming off the old ferryboat that operated at the edge of the farm. He was very active in the Nazarene church which had been started by his Nees grandparents who were both ministers and had started many churches in Montana. He attended a two-room school house until he went to Flathead County

High School where he received numerous awards, was elected to Boy's State and

served as his senior class vice president. He was active in 4-H and FFA and, although he dreamed of farming some day, he decided to pursue a career in agricultural business or banking.

After a year at NW Nazarene College, he transferred to Washington State University where he received bachelor's and master's degrees in agricultural economics and business. After graduation, he joined the Spokane Bank for Cooperatives (SBC) as a business analyst in 1965. During that time, he completed a 13-week program for management development at Harvard University's Graduate School of Business. In his 19-year tenure with the SBC, he served in a number of credit, financial, and administrative capacities, including corporate secretary, vice president, treasurer, executive vice-president, and president of the SBC from 1983-1985. Following the formation of joint-management of the three Farm Credit Banks in 1985, he served as senior vice-president-corporate and administrative services including human resources/planning and legislative /public affairs. In 1989, he was designated senior vice president-credit and corporate services for the newly

established Farm Credit Bank of Spokane. Duane retired in 1994 at the time of the bank's merger and moved to Sacramento, California.

Duane was active in many aspects of agricultural banking, serving as a board member for the Farm Credit System Funding Corporation located in New York City. He was a member of the Education Committee of the National Council of Farmer Cooperatives; a member of the Board of Agriculture Cooperative Development International in Washington, D.C.; a board member of Spokane Unlimited and a member of the Citizen's Advisory Committee for the WSU-Spokane branch campus. He was also a member of the board of the American Institute of Cooperatives. He was a proud WSU Cougar and served on the WSU Advisory Council for the College of Agriculture and Home Economics for a number of years. He also served as the first president and charter board member of the WSU Agricultural Alumni and Friends Association. In 1983, he received an alumni achievement award for his activities and contributions to development of university education programs. He was also active in Spokane civic activities and was one of the first graduates of the Leadership Spokane Program. He also played a key role in the establishment of the Washington State Ag Trade Center in Spokane and was chairman of the Review and

Comment Committee of the Spokane County Comprehensive Health Planning Council. After retirement, he realized his boyhood dream of farming; taking over the family farm for the next 16 years while caring for his aging parents. He divided his time between Kalispell and his home in Spokane.

Duane was well liked and respected by family, friends, and anyone who knew him. He could talk to anyone and made friends wherever he went. He was humble, positive, caring and generous. He had a wonderful sense of humor and was a consummate punster and gentle practical joker. He loved his family and was our anchor. He was much loved and his passing has left a huge hole in our lives.

Duane is survived by his wife of 41 years, Patsy Marshall; his first wife, Sharron Loveall; his four daughters, Lissa Donohue (Kelly), Jill Marshall Flegel, Jennifer Knutson (Louie), and Lindsay Longman (Chris); as well as grandchildren, Natalie and Ben Donohue, Caleb Flegel, Austin, Louie, Cody and James Knutson and Haili Langelier.

A memorial service will be planned at a future time. If you would like to attend, please send your name and contact information to DuaneMarshallMemorial@gmail.com.

Donations may be made to the American Parkinson's Disease Association and the Michael J. Fox Foundation.

MEMORIALS

Duane Lee Marshall

A memorial service for Duane Lee Marshall, 78, who died May 18, will be held Sunday, Sept. 19, from 2 to 5 p.m. at the Hilton Garden Inn, 1840 U.S. 93 S., Kalispell.

Phyllis Marvin, 90

PAL 15 Dec 2021
Phyllis was born Sept. 15, 1931, to Roger and May Kinniburgh Booth in Wolf Point, Montana, and passed away Sunday, Dec. 5, 2021.

She was the first of seven children. The family lived in Wolf Point and Culbertson before moving to Marion in 1941. One of her fondest memories of her childhood in Marion were the family dances.

Phyllis' dad taught her to dance to Old Time Country and Western. This led to a love of both for her entire life.

Phyllis attended schools in Wolf Point, Culbertson, Marion and Kalispell. In 1948 she met Newton "Boots" Marvin. They both loved country music and dancing. This led to 56 years of marriage. The couple had four children, Terry, Joanne, Eileen and Amy. Sadly Boots passed away in 2004.

In 2008, Phyllis met Donald Hall Sr. and shared many memorable happy years with him.

Phyllis was preceded in death by her parents, first husband Newton Marvin, daughter Joanne, sisters Dolla Collison and Mildred Morrison, brother Roger Jr. Booth, son-in-law Mark Turman, good friends Donald and Merlie Komenda, and second husband Donald Hall.

Phyllis is survived by her children, Terry

and Gina of Athol, Idaho, Eileen Turman of Kalispell and Amy and Jeff Gregoire of Eureka. She is also survived by her sisters, Faye Loveless, Patty Robinson and Helen Lily, 11 grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren and five great-great-grandchildren. She has many beloved nieces, nephews, cousins and friends as well.

Phyllis is looking forward to dancing again in heaven.

Funeral services will be held at Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home on Friday, Dec. 17, at 11 a.m.

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

Naomi Mary Mast (Kauffman), 85

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Naomi Mary Mast (Kauffman) was born June 17, 1936, in Creston. Naomi accepted Jesus Christ as her Savior and was born into the family of God at age 13. It was after church one Sunday that she unintentionally caught the attention of Jim Kauffman, a young widower and father of two little boys. Jim and Naomi were married September 1961. In addition to her two bonus sons, Elton and Jimmy "Jay," siblings Anita, Willard, Nettie, Renee, Ted and Jeremiah joined the family over the coming years.

Naomi left this earth on Sept. 23, 2021, to be with her heavenly Father for eternity.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Silas and Elma (Sutter) Mast, her beloved husband, siblings Priscilla

Bullet, Frank Mast, Martha Boss, Ada Mast, and son Thomas Samuel.

Naomi is survived by brothers Larry (Helen) Mast and Myron (Vicky) Mast; children Elton (Gayla) Kauffman, Jay (Angie) Kauffman, Anita (Bill) Stinde, Willard (Dawn) Kauffman, Nettie (Steve) Wagoner, Renee (Jon) Sanford, Ted (Natalie) Kauffman, Jeremiah (April) Kauffman, foster sons Jerry and Vernon Dachs, their families; 48 grandchildren and 34 great-grandchildren.

Naomi was a generous, compassionate woman who had special loved ones who adopted her for their Mama and Granny. Many other of her friends called her Mom.

There will be a graveside service in Creston Cemetery on Thursday, Sept. 30.

Ilona Maria Matson, 79



On Dec. 28, 2021, Ilona "Sam" Matson passed away peacefully in her sleep.

She was born in Germany on June 22, 1942. About six years later, her mother married an American serviceman and she immigrated to the U.S. She often told the story of arriving at Fort Ord from Germany with an envelope pinned to her coat with all her information since she did not speak a word of English. She eventually moved to California and later to Dubai where Sam

worked as a corporate secretary. In 1974, she met Len Matson in Dubai. They married and embarked on an exciting life living in Dubai, Toronto, California, Amsterdam and Houston. Sam and Len were real partners in life and enjoyed each other's company and a wide circle of friends. Sam loved to cook, entertain and travel. In Dubai, she was

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actively involved in the expat community and the Petroleum Wives Club, and she helped organize the Dubai Follies, Mardi Gras parades, Christmas caroling parties, haunted houses, and many great parties. After many trips to Montana over the years, in 2000, Sam and Len retired in Lakeside where their good friends the Stimpsons lived, and they shared many wonderful years in their beautiful log cabin overlooking Flathead Lake. Sam was involved in the library and bridge

groups. She loved many dogs and cats over the years, and they were family to her.

Sam took good care of her loving husband, Len, who passed away in June 2018, and she missed him deeply. She was also preceded in death by her mother Gerda Crocker and her brother Ralph.

She is survived by her three stepchildren, Scott Matson and LeAnn, Greg Matson and Tiffany, and Mary Kay Malas and Brett, plus seven grandchildren.

No service is planned at her request.

Sharon Anne Matson, 75



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Sharon Anne Mattson, born to Robert and Mary Boland of Los Angeles in January of 1946, passed away peacefully in her home on May 11, 2021, at the age of 75. She was surrounded by God, family, and music in the comfort of her home in Snoqualmie, Washington.

She had a sense of adventure with a deep love of travel and culture. Sharon spent time in Europe, buying a one-way ticket, only returning home because of an empty wallet. Ever intrepid, she became a flight attendant in the late '60s for Continental Airlines to feed her desire to see the world. As a young adult, she continued to travel widely through Europe, often taking off on a whim. Later in life, she was more contented with road trips and good friends, inevitably planned by her and always culminating in hilarity and good times for all those along for the ride.

If you were in Sharon's life, you were ... along for the ride. She was a spirited person with a welcoming personality and a daring zest for life. She spent

10 years living in Montana, where friends remain convinced that she was not only the genesis of the party, but most usually the life of it as well. When not entertaining at her home, she was "available" for impromptu concerts in restaurants or bars, charming onlookers with her spunk and musical stylings.

Her laughter was infectious, and her love of people, more endearing than one can adequately describe in words. She was even more gorgeous in spirit as she was in body. In a word, Sharon was fabulous.

Before striking it out in Montana, she was a loving mother of two, son Christian Mattson and daughter Courtney Meyer. Whether as president of the PTA, putting on school musicals, attending sporting events, hosting birthday parties, or ensuring her children got cocoa to keep them warm during

ski races, she was a dedicated mother. In her spare time, she was the hostess for many a business dinner turned social event for her late husband Jim, planning events for the women's auxiliary of the St. Francis hospital.

In her later years, she became a grandmother to four boys, Liam, Dylan, Jack and Alexander. Affectionately called Noni, she was court jester for the boys and much to their parents' dismay, often the instigator of mischievous behavior. Regardless of the outcome, the process was nothing but fun and the memories fond.

Sharon was a voracious reader and closet intellectual. She was witty and hilarious. She put all those around her at ease. She loved unconditionally and was loved universally. While incredibly outgoing, Sharon was deeply private, yet profound in her faith.

She wrung every last drop out of life and met God with a prepared and undaunted heart.

Those who predeceased her, including her parents, countless friends,

and her love Jim, will no doubt welcome her home.

Those of us left behind can only do our best to live life with the sort of kindness, love and joy that she did — in anticipation of seeing her again one day. There is little doubt she will have something planned for all of us upon our arrival.

Sharon is survived by her son Christian (Hailey), his sons Jack - 4, and Alexander - 11 months; her daughter Courtney (Dmitriy), her sons Liam - 10, and Dylan - 8 (their father Kevin); and her beloved sisters Patricia Peterson and Suzanne Niles and their children.

We have large shoes to fill.

Sharon was a supporter of Mary Bridge Children's Hospital. In lieu of flowers, the family requests you consider a donation in her honor to the Pediatric Oncology Survivorship Program. You can donate online at give.multicare.org/mary-bridge.

A private memorial followed by a celebration of life will be held on June 11. Contact Christian or Courtney for details.

Timothy Russell Matdies, 51

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Timothy Russell Matdies, 51, passed away on Oct. 9, 2021, in Kalispell. Tim had a long history of struggling with sleep apnea and it, ultimately, played a part in his death after contracting Covid. He will be laid to rest in a private family burial at Spring Creek Cemetery in Kalispell and a celebration of his life is scheduled for Nov. 6 at the Elk's Club in Kalispell from 4 to 6 p.m., with music to follow. The family hopes to spend time with friends who knew him and we invite his musician friends to share a song or two.

Timmy is survived by his mother Janet Collins, brother Christian Matdies and wife Amanda Matdies, sister Maraika Eaton and husband Greg Eaton, and nieces and nephews Tawny Teters, Kayla Pancheri, Erika

Anderson, Bo Matdies, Helmuth Matdies, Bailey Eaton and Hayden Eaton.

Tim was born in Kalispell on Dec. 8, 1969, and raised in Whitefish. He went through the Whitefish School system and attended one year of college in Missoula at the University of Montana. He worked a variety of jobs throughout his life, including time on a fishing boat in Alaska, surviving the Bering Straits and Dutch Harbor. He traveled the country wiring commercial buildings. Tim worked on Big Mountain as a lifter, which is where he taught himself to play the guitar. He worked in car sales at Depratu



Ford and at Jones Music selling guitars. For many years, Tim was a dedicated employee at Kalispell Toyota and the family is grateful to them. Tim touched many lives through his job. He loved people and truly cared about his clients. Tim was honest and trustworthy.

In his younger days, he loved the outdoors and mastering skills on his motorcycles. He definitely had a love for speed and he could pop a wheelie better than anyone I know. Timmy also had a love for music and was passionate about tone and learning new techniques. He would spend hours on his own playing guitar and bass. Whether he knew you for a day or 30 years, getting together with musician friends always made him happy. Tim was known for

his big smile and hearty laugh! He could definitely light up a room. Timmy was also passionate about his faith and God's word. He spent hours studying the Scriptures and sharing his knowledge. Salvation was what he wanted for himself and everyone that he knew. He had a gift for making friends and people loved his company. He had a heart of gold. Friendship and loyalty were words that meant something to Tim.

May he rest in peace. Memorial gifts can be made in his name and designated to either: Sleep Apnea Research at Mayo Clinic, www.mayoclinic.org/development or mailed to Dept. of Development, Mayo Clinic, 200 First Street, SW, Rochester, MN 55905; or to Christ's Church, P.O. Box 5293, Kalispell MT 59903.

David W. Mattscheck, 66

David W. Mattscheck, 66, of Kalispell, died Oct. 17, 2021, at home. No service is sched-

uled. Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls is caring for the family.

Michael James Mauk, 73

Michael James Mauk, 73, of Whitefish, died on Friday, May 28, 2021, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center.

He is survived by his wife Liane and daughter Sarah.

Family services are being planned. Darlington Cremation and Burial Service is caring for the family.

Maxine May, 94

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Mary Maxine May, 94, lost her 10-day battle with Covid on Nov. 30, 2020. She was born on Sept. 11, 1926, in Ismay, Montana, to Katherine Cummings Griffin and Robert Griffin. She grew up in the Foundation and Knowlton area, and later attended high school in Miles City. She and Jack May were married two weeks before graduation, as he was leaving for World War II for three years.

Preceding her in death were her parents, husband Jack, son John, daughter Judy Ann, and brothers Buford and Jimmy.

She is survived by her son Jim (Marilyn), daughter-in-law Jody (Jimmy) Lester, sister Ona Lee Willson, six grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren, many nieces, nephews and friends.

Services will be held Saturday, July 31, at 1 p.m. at Canyon Community Church in Coram. Burial will be at Woodlawn Cemetery in Columbia Falls, followed by refreshments and visiting back at the church. Memorials may be made to the church or charity of your choice.

Maxine graduated and worked at F.W. Woolworth's, while he was gone. Upon returning, they lived in Kinsey and Miles City before moving to Martin City in 1955. Maxine loved working for 25 years in post offices in Martin City, Coram, Columbia Falls, West Glacier and Hungry Horse. Other special interests were family, friends, flowers, garden-

Jacklyn 'Jackie' B. May, 88

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Jacklyn "Jackie" B. May, 88, of Lewistown, passed away early Saturday morning, Oct. 2, 2021, in the Villa in Lewistown of natural causes with her daughters by her side.



Ward and later at the Equity Supply Company, working with and serving lifetime

friends in the Flathead area for many years and eventually retiring in her 60s.

She was born Aug. 28, 1933, in Malta, the daughter of Bernhard and Hannah (Anderson) Peterson. The family moved to Kalispell and she received her education there, graduating from Flathead County High School in 1951. She married her high school sweetheart Robert "Bob" May on June 8, 1952, in Bigfork. They had two daughters and spent 69 years together prior to his death in July of 2021.

Jackie was a wife and mother first but also worked part-time in retail most of her life, first at Montgomery

She always had a vegetable garden, raised beautiful flowers and especially enjoyed decorating for the holidays. She was an outdoor girl which fit perfectly with a marriage spent camping with the Thompsons, Hartsochs and Petersons in the early years, later with friends from the Lazy Eight and Shakey Six or some variation of that! When it wasn't camping weather, Bob and Jackie would go

hunting for firewood or just for a drive. She had wonderful times picking huckleberries on a warm, late summer day on the side of a mountain and then finding new recipes for them. Best of all, Jackie enjoyed all of the little children in her life, especially her own children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She loved to buy little presents and Beanie Babies and have a bowl of candy for any kids who came to visit.

She is survived by her daughters Gail Ohnstad of Winter Springs, Florida, and Reta (Steven) Knox of Winifred, Montana; six grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren, one great-great-grandchild and numerous nieces and nephews.

In addition to her hus-

band, she was preceded in death by her parents, siblings Bernice, Helen, George, Ben and Clayton, granddaughter Monica, and great-granddaughter Sarah.

No services will be held at this time for Jackie May. A joint committal will be held for Jackie and Bob next year in Glacier Memorial Gardens in Kalispell. Cremation has taken place with the Cloyd Funeral Home in Lewistown assisting the family.

Friends are asked to make memorials to Hospice of Central Montana, or to the charity of their choice and they may be left with the Cloyd Funeral Home.

Condolences for the family may be posted online at www.cloydfuneralhome.com.

Robert 'Bob' Roswell May, 88

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Robert "Bob" Roswell May, 88, passed away on July 15, 2021, at the Billings Clinic of old age complications.



repairing, building and working in his own shop. Restoring a Diamond T truck and a Reo tractor were just two of his proudest accomplishments. He was



also a founding member of the West Valley Fire Department, serving as chief for a year. Antique engines were another hobby and he had a lot of fun showing them at engine shows for many years.

Bob was born in Great Falls on Nov. 21, 1932, to Claude and Susan (Thompson) May. He moved to Kalispell at a young age and called the Flathead home thereafter, except for two years in the Army and a few final years in Lewistown. After graduating from Flathead County High School in 1950, he married his high school sweetheart, Jackie Peterson, in 1951 and became father to two girls. Bob was a constant hard worker and was never without a project to finish into his final days. He was a mechanic for the State Highway Department and the Department of State Lands and, upon retirement, he continued

Spending time outdoors was Bob's real passion and he spent many weekends camping with Jackie and their friends collectively known as the Lazy

8. In the winter he snow-mobiled all over the valley and especially enjoyed the overnight snowmobile trips with his more hardy companions. Camping trips to Alaska were his favorite destination and he would share stories of all his adventures with anyone who would listen and laugh with him.

Bob was a mechanic, a fireman, an engineer, a tree farmer, a woodsman, a tractor driver, a forklift operator, a fisherman, an outdoorsman and he was a kind man who loved a good joke, a loving husband and a wonderful father and grandfather.

He is survived by his wife of 69 years, Jackie, of Lewistown; his two children, Gail Ohnstad of Orlando, Florida, and Reta (Steven) Knox of Winifred, Montana; six grandchildren, 15 great-grandchild-

dren, one great-great-grandchild, and numerous nieces and nephews.

Bob was preceded in death by his parents, and sisters Jesse and Laberta, brothers Vernon and Conna, his granddaughter Monica, and great-granddaughter, Sarah.

No services are planned at this time, but a celebration of life will be held later in Kalispell where Bob will be laid to rest at the Glacier Memorial Gardens, which overlooks the valley and his childhood home near the Bald Rock area.

Friends may make memorials to the charity of their choice and they may be left with the Cloyd Funeral Home. Condolences for the family may be posted online at www.cloydfuneralhome.com.

Suzanne Isabelle McAllister, 89

Suzanne Isabelle McAllister passed away peacefully at Kalispell Regional Medical Center with her family at her side on Feb. 15, 2021.

Suzanne was born in southwest Illinois to Lloyd and Beulah Gaither in 1931. She married Robert E. Bockstruck in 1952 and they made their home in Alton, Illinois. To this union were born three children, Patricia (Dennis) Mossman of Jerseyville, Illinois, Mary (Jeffrey) Wallace of Kalispell, and Robert (Michelle) Bockstruck of Godfrey, Illinois. Suzanne spent their married years



as a loving mother and homemaker, and she shared her love of music with her piano students and at area schools. Robert preceded her in death in 1971.

Suzanne continued to raise her three children while attending college pursuing a music degree and she eventually met and married James H. McAllister in 1980. Their marriage lasted until his death in 2001.

She brought lots of

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love, light and laughter to those she met, and one of her greatest joys was becoming Grandma Susie to not only her own grandchildren, but also becoming an "adopted" grandma to many other local children as well. She enjoyed her music, cooking delicious food for her loved ones, canning and pickling whatever produce she could get her hands on, writing poetry and watching "Jeopardy." She often volunteered at local elementary schools, for Big Brothers and Sisters, and for the Museum at Central School.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her spouses, and her brother Lloyd H. Gaither.

She is survived by a brother, Myron Gaither, in New Jersey, her three children, nine grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

A celebration of her life is being planned for a later date.

In lieu of flowers, memorials can be made to My Glacier Village of Kalispell, or to Big Brothers Big Sisters of Flathead County.

Roger McCallister, 55

Roger McCallister, 55, of Kalispell, died Wednesday, Sept. 15, 2021.

He is survived by his children, Charity, Marie and Robert.

No services are being planned at this time.

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