

Gary Lynn Michael, 59

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Gary Lynn Michael passed away peacefully at home surrounded by his girls on May 25, 2021, after a two-year battle with cancer.

He was born in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, on Feb. 21, 1962, to Bill and Chris Michael. After leaving the Midwest, he graduated with a degree in aquatic and fishery sciences in Port Angeles, Washington. An avid fisherman, Gary landed the perfect job as a fish biologist with Fish, Wildlife and Parks in 1982; a job that he enjoyed for 38 years. He got paid to fish! This dream job took him to countless adventures out in "The Bob" with his horse, Harley. His time at FWP brought him many dear friends who became his huntin' and fishin' buddies. Together, they fished the waters of Alaska, Washington, Idaho and eastern Montana.

Gary met Paula at 1st Ave. and had their first kiss at Moose's in 1987. The two shackled up for four years before he finally popped the question in the Valentine's Day edition of the newspa-



per. They married in 1991 when he became the "Bonus Dad" to Breean, Beau and Brittnee. They spent many wonderful summers camping, fishing and hiking together, memories that will be forever cherished.

Although he was known to sneak gas station burritos behind his wife's back, Gary became known as quite the cook, as anyone who tried his pork verde or chicken and dumplings can attest. After he retired, he spent hours out in his woodshed, creating beautiful pieces that showed his artistic side.

Gary is survived by his wife Paula, children Breean (Adam) Lesko, Beau Thurber, and Brittnee (Jason) Deel; six grandchildren, Molly and Maddux Lesko, Jameson and Corbin Deel, Emma and Ayden Thurber, all of Las Vegas; mother Chris, brother Brad (Vilona), all of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; sister, Tami,

of Cleveland; mother-in-law, Frances Patton, of Kalispell; brothers-in-law, Steve (Donna) of Thompson Falls and Jon (Cathy) of Polson, Josh Wood; nieces Morgan, Rachel and Sydnee, and nephews William, Ethan and Scott; numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his father Bill and father-in-law David Patton, who will no doubt be waiting to all go fishing together; and we know Maggee will be there to greet you with a wagging tail.

Gary touched the lives of many with his calm demeanor, quick wit, and will be deeply missed. We are forever grateful to thank all those who helped Gary through his cancer journey; Dr. Wagner, the "Chemo Girls" and Maureen.

Services will be held at Lone Pine State Park Visitor Center at 4 p.m. on Friday, June 4.

In lieu of flowers, the family is asking for donations to be made to the American Cancer Society or Juvenile Diabetes Research Fund.

Joan P. Michael, 88

Joan P. Michael, 88, of Somers died in Kalispell on June 6, 2021.

A memorial service will be held at a later date. Darlington Cremation and Burial Service is caring for Joan's family.

Diane Marie Pierce-Michaud, 74

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 Diane Marie Pierce-Michaud passed away March 25, 2021.

Diane was born July 31, 1946, in Elko, Nevada, to father William "Bill" E. Pierce and mother Betty C. Frenzen and lived there until the age of 3. She was raised riding and working cattle on the family ranch in Catheys Valley, California, where her father taught her the meaning of hard work, and her mother taught her the value of a person's integrity.

Diane held degrees in journalism and fashion merchandizing, and transitioned into a successful career in human resources spanning over 40 years of which approximately 10 years were with Bullocks Stonestown, San Francisco, followed by approximately 30 years with Memorial Hospital, Sutter Health in Modesto, California, as a labor relation specialist for several hospitals. Diane was well loved by her "work" family, which can be attributed to her successfully fostering trust and respect across all multi-level personnel. She would listen to anyone. She was a mentor to all.

Diane married Richard R. Michaud of Santa Clara, California, in 1977 and immediately became a cherished member of his immediate and extended family. They made their home in Cupertino, California, until moving to Le Grande, California, in 1987; and eventually retired to Bigfork in 2017.

Diane loved all aspects of nature, from the tiniest creatures in the animal kingdom to the largest of the redwood trees and mountains. Yosemite, California, and Lake Tahoe, Nevada, were two of her favorite places



and she immediately fell in love with Bigfork the moment she saw

it. Although she didn't much enjoy cooking, she was definitely a fan of fine dining with dessert being her favorite course and often said "dessert is meant to be eaten first." She appreciated architecture, fashion and the art of accessorizing, and loved lounging by the pool with a morning cup of coffee or a chilled afternoon beverage or a glass of wine, and was an avid reader who enjoyed browsing magazines, and reading historical and biographical writings. Family often teased her method of reading a magazine, which was from back to front.

She was preceded in death by her parents, William E. Pierce and Betty C. Frenzen.

She is survived by her beloved and devoted husband of 44 years, Richard R. Michaud, of Bigfork; sister, Catherine A. Pierce Ragghianti, of Catheys Valley, California; two sisters-in-law, Marlene M. Michaud of Sommersworth, New Hampshire, and Jeannie Michaud Futrell of San Jose, California; as well as two nieces, two nephews, two great-nieces and one great-great-nephew.

Diane was a well loved and respected member of her family, and will be sorely missed by family and a seemingly endless list of friends and neighbors, but never forgotten.

Services will be held at a date, and place to be determined. Arrangements have been entrusted with Johnson-Gloschat Funeral home.

Steven George Mickelson, 72

Steven George Mickelson, 72, of Kalispell, died Feb. 23, 2021, at his home. Services are pending. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Elaine Marlene Harms Miller, 90

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 Elaine Marlene Harms Miller, 90, of Dayton, passed away on March 10, 2021.

She was born on Jan. 13, 1931, in Spokane, the daughter of George Frederick and Viola (Bundy) Harms.

She married Kenneth L. Miller on Aug. 5, 1950, in Spokane. After 1975

she and Ken moved to the Kalispell area and started the business, Crown Sports Photography. They sold the business in 1998, retiring to Flathead Lake.

Elaine loved gardening, cooking and playing her organ.

Elaine will be buried privately on March 22 at

C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery next to her husband Ken who passed away in 2007.

She is survived by her sister-in-law Elizabeth "Ann" Miller of Maryland, and numerous cousins.

Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls is caring for the family.

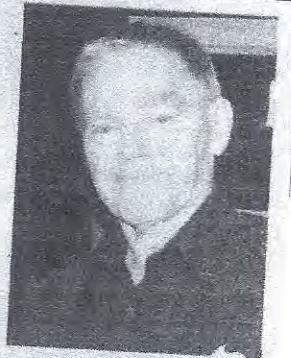
Memorial Service George B. Miller

March 6, 1930 - April 25, 2020

Saturday, September 25, 2021
 11 am

Christ Lutheran Church
 5150 River Lakes Pkwy, Whitefish
 Masks respectfully requested.

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John Patrick Miller, 73

Our dear brother, uncle and friend, Fr. John Patrick Miller passed into the



hands of our Creator, Wednesday, Sept. 22, 2021. John fought the good fight, an eight-month battle with cancer and passed away at home in the company of friends and family.

He was born May 5, 1948, Cinco de Mayo, in O'Neill, Nebraska, the Irish capitol of Nebraska. John lived his early life in O'Neill until he left for college in Peru, Nebraska. He was the first of three boys born to Marvin and Mary Constance (Golden) Miller. John discovered Montana the summer of 1969 when he worked for the National Park Service at the Custer Battlefield where he worked seasonally until 1975. He graduated from Peru State College in 1970 and moved to Billings where he taught school until 1974 when he was accepted as a seminarian for the Diocese of Helena. His theological studies took him to St. Thomas in Denver.

Bishop Elden Francis Curtis ordained John as a priest at St. Patrick Church in Billings May 19, 1978. At this time, John went on a doctoral journey which took him to Montana State University and in residence at Holy Rosary Parish. John completed all the class work for an EED but the dissertation. Following this, he left for a one year study sabbatical to Rome and the Vatican.

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senior status in 2015.

In retirement he then traveled throughout the United States and world promoting the work of Catholic Relief Services.

Father John had many passions he followed with great dedication. He loved people and truly never met a stranger. He started traveling as early as high school and it would be hard to describe all his many, varied trips. Two of his favorite trips were to South Africa and the very moving 75th anniversary of D Day in France. He also found a wonderful home in the cruising world. It was great to discover that cruise ships need Catholic priests to conduct Sunday services. He and his father, Marvin, took many cruises together all over the world. He was a dedicated and focused bridge player; a game which introduced him to a whole world of new friends. It could truly be said that this great man loved every aspect of life and lived it to the fullest.

Back home in the Diocese of Helena he chose to become a pastor, serving at St. John's Parish in Frenchtown for five years, followed by 16 years at St. Anthony's in Missoula and his last 11 years at St. Richard's Parish in Columbia Falls. Fr. John was greatly loved by his parishioners. He retired with

John was predeceased by his parents, his younger brother Bob (only five months earlier). He is survived by his brother Thomas (Mildred), and sons, Christian (Philadelphia), Colin and Owen (New York) and his brother Bob's children, Emily (Oregon) and Benjamin (Colorado). We thank these undaunted and indefatigable friends during his eight-month odyssey: Dr. George Reed, Fr. Frank McCormick, his brother, Tom, who spent months away from his family caring for John and numerous other caring friends, including Kathy and Linda and too many others to mention.

A vigil will be held Monday, Oct. 4, 7 p.m. at St. Anthony's Church in Missoula. The funeral will take place Tuesday, Oct. 5, 11 a.m. at St. Anthony's Church, 217 Tremont Street, Missoula, and be live streamed at gardencityfh.com.

Grant Matthew Miller, 37

Grant Matthew Miller, 37, of Kalispell, died on Jan. 5, 2021, at The HealthCenter.

Services are pending.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Lorri Schraeder Miller, 81

Esther Lorraine "Lorri" Schraeder Miller passed away on June 30, 2021, in the care of family and Frontier Hospice with complications from Alzheimer's and a pancreatic tumor.

She was born on Nov. 17, 1939, in Byron Township, Minnesota, to Carroll and Marie Erickson.

In 1955 Lorri married Francis Smith. They had three children, Bill, Judy and Roger. After their marriage ended, Lorri married Fredrick "Bud" Schraeder in 1964. Bud had four children, Vicki, Dan, Doug and Agnes.



Since 1965, Lorri has called Ferndale, Montana, her home. There she raised seven kids

and was blessed with many friends. Through the years, Lorri enjoyed time with grandkids, walking, biking and quilting. In the 1990s, Bud and Lorri became snowbirds in Yuma, Arizona. Bud passed away in 2003. In 2006 Lorri was blessed to marry her sweetheart, Bill Miller.

Lorri was preceded in

death by her parents, her sister Carol Jean, daughter Agnes, and her son Bill.

She is survived by her husband Bill Miller, daughter Vicki (Ken) Bauska, son Dan (Sue) Schraeder, son Doug (Lynda) Schraeder Waltz, daughter Judy (Mike) Andriolo, son Roger (Debbie) Smith and many grandchildren, and great-grandchildren, and great-great-grandchildren.

Services will be held at the Swan Chapel in Swan Lake Tuesday, July 20, at 2 p.m., followed by finger food fellowship.

Sharon Ann Landon-Miller, 75

Musician and retired Head-Start teacher Sharon Ann Landon-Miller, 75, of Kalispell, passed away peacefully, surrounded by loved ones, on Aug. 18, 2021, after a courageous battle with end stage kidney disease.

Sharon was born on July 21, 1946, in Helena to Leo R. Landon and Alice "Dotty" A. Landon. Sharon grew up in Billings where she enjoyed being a lifeguard, babysitting the kids in her neighborhood, and protecting her little brother. Sharon graduated from Billings West High School. Sharon studied psychology and human resources at both Eastern College and Flathead Valley Community College where she found her passion for mentoring and guiding young minds. She also loved to bake with her grandchildren, who would sit on the counter next to the mixing bowl, helping their Honey. Sharon worked alongside her son, Eric, as a chef and baker for Pancho Magoo's in Kalispell for many years. Her caramel rolls were



the talk of the town!

One could also experience her love through her music. When

Sharon would sing, while picking the guitar or sitting at the piano, every ear was tuned to the sound of her voice. She could sing all day long, harmonizing to any note, while those around her couldn't help but listen. Sharon shared her vocal gift for many years by singing with the Sweet Adelines alongside her mother.

Above all, what Sharon cherished the most was her role as a mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother. She went by many names; Mom, Grandma, Grammy, Auntie, and her personal favorite, Honey.

Sharon was preceded in death by her parents, Leo and Dotty, and her beloved son, Eric James Miller.

Sharon is survived by her brother, Dan Landon, and his wife Charlene;

Sharon's children, Serene, Rebecca, Anita and James; her grandchildren, Katie, Kasaundra, Makayla, Sierra, Jonyx, Ethan, Gabriel and Abigail; her great-grandchildren, Izabella, Mae, Aryss and Myah; and many more nieces, nephews and cousins.

Please join the family in a celebration of

Sharon's life which will be held on Saturday, Sept. 4, at 2 p.m. at the Calvary Lutheran Church, 2200 U.S. 2, Kalispell.

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

Joan Miller, 87

Joan Miller, 87, died Nov. 28, 2021, at Lake View Care Center in Bigfork. Services are

pending.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Penelope, L. 'Penny' (Veyna) Miller, 81

Penelope, L. "Penny" (Veyna) Miller, 81, of Kalispell, died at The HealthCenter on Monday Feb. 8, 2021.

Family services are being planned for a later date.

Darlington Cremation and Burial Service is caring for the family.

Steve Miller, 61

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Steven Dale Miller, 61, better known as Steve (seriously...never call him "Steven." Also, don't mention "Dale"), suddenly passed away on Feb. 8, 2021.

Born in Tacoma, Washington, to Patricia Miller Tarpley and Wilfred "Bill" Miller, Steve forever called Whitefish his home. Growing up in the Flathead Valley inspired his love for the outdoors as he enjoyed an assortment of activities in his youth including skiing, boat racing, motorbiking and anything else adventurous. When he was 11 years old, Steve built a race boat for a competition on Whitefish Lake. He wasn't old enough to race, so his older brother filled in and the pair became the youngest winners.



Steve graduated from Whitefish High School in 1977. He then attended the University of Montana and graduated with a degree in business in 1988. While pursuing higher education, he met the future mother of his children, Rachel Eisinger. They moved to New Mexico and California for Steve's work and had two children during this period. When deciding where their children should

grow up, Steve's fondness of the mountains and the valley finalized their return to Whitefish.

Steve was always busy teaching himself and sharing with family and friends his growing list of hobbies. Gardening, photography, hunting, and fishing were just some of his many skills, but his true passions were cooking and carpentry. There was never a meal he couldn't cook nor a project he couldn't build. He was often responsible for the meals at holidays, whipping up a huge feast that left people full before dinner was even served. His builds were both large and small, ranging from houses with Habitat For Humanity to personalized magic wands for his children.

Steve loved his family and friends with his

whole, stubborn heart and always lent a helping hand to those who asked. He personified the strong-guy image and lived as if he could accomplish anything. He never let his age keep him from doing exactly what he wanted.

Steve joins his parents and his sister, Wendy Miller, for his next great adventure.

He is survived by his daughter and her family, Kristina Miller, Jonathan Hui and Jamie Hui; his son, Mikel Miller; and his brothers and their families: Mark and Betty Miller; Bruce, Nikki, Matt and Jake Miller; and Jeff, Candi, Zach, Kyle and Ashley Miller.

A celebration of life is currently pending for summer 2021.

Terence 'Terry' Dean Miller

PAT 13 June 2021
Terence "Terry" Dean Miller passed away in his home in Kalispell on May 23, 2021.

His journey began when he was born in Jamestown, North Dakota, to parents Tom Miller and Arlene Young. They moved to Libby where he grew up with his brothers and sister playing in the woods. There he went to school and graduated from Libby High School in 1980. He then got married and moved to Kalispell to have two daughters. He



worked hard at the Old Columbia Falls Aluminum Company plant, Plum Creek

and doing construction. He also got a degree as a pharmacy technician from Flathead Valley Community College.

He and his brothers were inseparable growing up in the woods.

Terry was a devoted father to his two daughters

and a proud grandpa to six grandkids. He was an avid outdoorsman, hunting, fishing and camping and taking his kids outdoors every chance he got. He loved God and all he has to offer.

He is survived by his mother Arlene Young of Libby, daughters Raylene and Lavon Miller of Kalispell, sister Annie and in-law Bryce Ford of Libby, brother Scott of Volcano, Hawaii, brother Wayne and in-law Debbie Miller of Anchorage,

Alaska; and grandkids, Madolynn Bowmen, Bonnie, Thorton, and Duane Goodwin, Summer Attard, and Jaxson Miller.

Fear not! Positivity! Live, laugh, dance, love!

A celebration of life will take place at the Fred Brown Pavilion in Libby on June 15 at 2 p.m., potluck style, so please bring a dish.

Thank you all for your support and love from the Miller family.

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

Lauretta Milne, 96

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granddaughter
Tatiana.

manager in Kalispell.

Lauretta and husband Dwight were world travelers with Friendship Force.

With the heart of a teacher, she influenced her sons to explore our planet and its cultures, with an open, inquisitive mind.

Her favorite advice, "Get out and see the world while you can."

A member of

Presbyterian Church of Kalispell, Lauretta served as a deacon and Stephen Ministry leader.

Lauretta loved exploring Glacier National Park, skiing, white water rafting, gardening, P.E.O. and cooking ... her cinnamon rolls were famous!

Her ashes will be returned to nature, "Somewhere beautiful." As was she.

Lauretta Milne passed away, Nov. 8, 2021, age 96 years, on Maui, Hawaii.

She is survived by sons Tim, Phil and Dwight, daughter-in-law Kimberly, and grandsons Stefan, Alex and Austin.

She was born in Spokane and predeceased by her parents Albert and Venus Holder, husband Dwight, sisters Louise Harbin and Venus Smythe, son Russell and



counseling. She contributed to the World War II effort as a cadet nurse, later specializing in pediatrics, education and finally, as a medical office

Donald Everett Mills, 81

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Donald Mills went to be with his wife in heaven on Oct. 17, 2021.

Don was born the first and only child of Cecil and Ruby (Thomas) Mills on Nov. 10, 1939, in Conrad, Montana. He attended school there and worked as a farm hand. He met the love of his life, Sandy Ray, in February 1960. He was the best friend of her brother. Don and Sandy were married on July 1, 1960, and welcomed their only child, Cheryl, on June 21, 1961. They moved to Columbia Falls in 1964 where Don started working for Plum Creek lumber mill. He was injured in an accident there in the early 1980s, which permanently disabled him. Despite the crippling pain, Don still enjoyed "snowbirding" with Sandy from 1993 to



1998 in Yuma, Arizona. In 1999 they moved there until 2007, when they came back to be closer to their girls.

Don's greatest joys were spending time with his family and his dogs. He enjoyed watching sports, watching his daughter, granddaughter and great-granddaughters grow, and his cars. He loved nice, shiny new vehicles, much to his wife's dismay!

Don was preceded in death by his parents and his beloved wife.

He is survived by his daughter Cheryl Mills, his granddaughter Jessica Hendershott, and his great-granddaughters Kiya Warner and Aria Calderon, and his special furry companion, Baby.

At request of Don, no services will be held. Instead of flowers, the family is requesting donations in Don's name to Meals on Wheels in Kalispell who provided many meals for him.

Joel Milton Mitchell, 55

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Joel Milton Mitchell was born on Aug. 10, 1965, to Dan and Gail Mitchell.

He was taken too soon from us on Feb. 11, 2021, after a fall at his home.

For many years Joel enjoyed snowmobiling, fishing, camping, racing with his brother Eric, and hanging out with family and friends. Never one to shy away from a good time, Joel was always happy to be the life of the party.

He is survived by his daughter Brooke Allison, son Taylor Mitchell-Hearon, brother Scott, brother Paul (Michelle), brother Eric (Jessica), brother Rob Miller and sister Kim (Bob) Sutton. He was also Uncle Joel to Morghan, Melissa, Mcray, Abby, Willow, Joeline, RC, Krystal and Maddie.

He was preceded in



death by his mother Gail Lyonias Mitchell, father Daniel Mitchell, stepmoth-

er Marian Mitchell and sister Danette Mitchell.

A very special thank you to all the staff in the ICU at Kalispell Regional Medical Center for taking care of Joel. Joel was an organ donor and helped save four lives, and for that we are extremely grateful.

In lieu of flowers donations can be made to LifeCenter Northwest in his honor; LifeCenter Northwest, 3650 131st Ave., SE Ste. 200, Bellevue, WA 98006.

Due to Covid restrictions, we will hopefully be having a celebration of his life this summer.

Dwight David Millsap, 68

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Dwight David Millsap, 68, of Whitefish, died April 13, 2021, at his residence.

He is survived by his children, Rachael Millsap and Megan Davis.

No service is scheduled.

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

Brent Wade Moon, 49

Brent Wade Moon, 49, of Kalispell died March 28, 2021, at his home in Kalispell.

Services are pending.

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

Lindsey Rose Moon

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Safely Home
"I am home in Heaven,
dear ones;

Oh so happy and so
bright!

There is perfect joy
and beauty

In this everlasting
light.

All the pain and grief
is over,

Every restless tossing
passed:

I am now at peace for-
ever,

Safely home in Heaven
at last."

Author Unknown

God had a special little
girl He sent to us on Aug.
29, 1981. He wanted her
to show others a small

display of His love. He
gave her a gift of how to
love others and to bring
them peace and comfort.
She was loved by all who
knew her, and she loved
you too.

Lindsey spent her first
five years with her mom
right by her side. Then
she went to live with the
Pierson family until she
went home to heaven! She
had a wonderful loving
family in the Pierson's,
many "brothers and sis-
ters."

God took Lindsey
home to be with Him on
March 13, 2021. She is
finally free of her earth-
ly body. Lindsey will be

waiting for all of us when
and if we choose to go
home to Christ our Lord
and Savior!

We will all miss her
but we rejoice that she is
finally home!

She is missed by:

Kristen (Moon) and Dave
Turner; Joyce and Edley
Moon; all the aunts,
uncles and cousins in the
Moon family; Rick, Patty,
Chuck, Jim, Tyler, and
Amy Pierson (and imme-
diate family); all the very
extensive Pierson family
and the Morris family.

A farewell celebration
will be held at Easthaven
Baptist Church on April
10, 2021, at 11:30 a.m.

Thomas John Mooney, 56

Thomas John Mooney, 56, of Bozeman, died June 2, 2021, at Logan Health Medical Center.

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

Bernice Ann Moore, 92

Bernice Ann Moore, 92, of Kalispell, died on Jan. 2, 2021, at her home in Kalispell.

A celebration of life service will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, Jan. 15, at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

John Moore, 90

John Moore, 90, of Tucson, Arizona, died Sept. 29, 2021, in Tucson.

A graveside committal will be held at 4 p.m. today, Oct. 6, at the Whitefish City Cemetery.

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

Maria E. Monti, 85

Maria E. Monti, 85, of Eureka died on May 21, 2021, at North Valley Hospital.

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

Melville 'Melvin' L. Morris Jr., 77

Melville "Melvin" L. Morris Jr., 77, of Columbia Falls, died March 13, 2021, in Kalispell.

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

Abby Morrow, 38

Abby Morrow, 38, of Kalispell, died on March 5, 2021, at The HealthCenter.

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

Janet A. Moss, 87

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Janet A. Moss, 87, of Kalispell, died Aug. 18, 2021, in Kalispell.

A celebration of
life will be held at 3
p.m. Sept. 11 at the

Kalispell Church of the
Nazarene.

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

Edna Regina Morton, 97

Edna Regina Morton, 97, of Kalispell, died June 15, 2021, at Immanuel Lutheran Home.

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

Howard Lee Morrison Jr., 80

Howard Lee Morrison Jr. was born Feb. 25, 1941, in San Diego to Howard Lee Morrison and Blanche Jackson.

On Oct. 20, 2021, Howard passed away in the loving care of Logan Health healthcare workers with his wife Judy by his side.

Howard spent his childhood years in Kentucky and these years were some of the foundations of Howard's legacy in storytelling. He graduated high school in San Diego after the family relocated to California.



During his time in southern California he worked for Coca Cola and Hostess. In 1978 they moved the family to Quincy, California, where Howard operated his own business, Morrison & Sons Vending.

The family spent time enjoying the outdoors, playing cribbage or

While living in San Diego, Howard met the love of his life, Judy, and started a family.

horseshoes and had many memories at the family cabin at Buck's Lake.

Howard was known for his humor, wit and storytelling and these traits are what his family will carry on. He loved a free hot dog when he got the chance, and will be remembered for placing bets for who would win the round of golf.

In the early years of retirement Howard and Judy divided time between Desert Hot Springs, California, and Montana before retiring in Bigfork in 1999. During

their years in Bigfork, his life was enriched by good friends, playing golf, meeting friends for beers and yearly camping trips with friends.

He is survived and loved dearly by his wife Judy, his sons Troy, Dutch, Travis and Jesse, daughter Elizabeth, seven grandchildren, and his sister Dorothy.

Howard was preceded in death by his father Howard, and his mother Blanche.

A private memorial will be held at a future date and will be announced.

Robert 'Bob' Morrison, 99

Robert "Bob" Morrison, 99, died of natural causes at his residence in Kalispell Nov. 25, 2021.

He was the middle of three sons born in Havre to Edwin C. and Gena (Brenford) Morrison. His father was a Great Northern Railway conductor and his mother made ladies hats for the FA Buttrey Company. Bob graduated from Havre High School in 1940 and immediately followed his older brother into the military. Edward was a Navy pilot and Bob flew for the Army Air Corps during World War II. Ed passed when his plane went down in the Pacific. Bob earned the Distinguished Flying Cross and the Air Medal for his service.

Bob made it home to Montana at the end of the war and enrolled at the University of Montana on the GI Bill. He graduated with a Juris Doctorate and returned to Havre, where he met and married Patsy "Pat" Crain of Glasgow.



start the Bear Paw Ski Bowl and improve the Elks (later Beaver Creek) golf course. He was an Elder in the First Presbyterian Church, served on the Northern Montana Hospital board, the Northern Montana College Foundation board, the University of Montana Alumni board and was a founding member and chairman of the board of First Security Bank-Havre (now Independence Bank).

Bob was an avid sportsman, hunting, fishing and running in his younger years, and following closely high school and college teams throughout his lifetime. He was a proud member of the 1940 State Champion Blue Pony basketball team and played football and baseball in high school, the military, during and after college.

He loved to ski and was still skiing Big Mountain slopes at age 85. When he and Pat retired to Whitefish, they were most likely on the golf course spring, summer and fall. Later, they moved to Kalispell and built a home at Village Greens.

Bob joined the FBI as a special agent and he and Pat moved to Washington, D.C. He was stationed in Orange, New Jersey, when his father passed suddenly. The family returned to Havre to help his mother.

He opened a law practice with partners Chan Ettien and Van Barron that grew to include numerous associates and partners. Bob served as city attorney, was elected county attorney (14 years), was a past president and director of Montana Legal Services, past president of the 12th Judicial Bar, served on the Supreme Court's Advisory Committee on Rules of Criminal Procedure, and the Advisory Commission on Rules of Civil and Appellate Procedure. He was a member of the Montana Bar, Montana Trial Lawyers and American Bar Associations, and graduate of the National College of Criminal Defense Lawyers, licensed to practice in all Montana and Federal Courts.

Bob was active in numerous community organizations, helped

As Pat's health declined they moved to a senior community in Missoula. Bob enjoyed his many friends in Missoula, but when Covid hit he moved first to his daughter Robyn's home in Helena, then to an independent living community in Havre, and in October 2020, to Kalispell where he was near daughter Lynn.

Bob was preceded in death by his wife Pat, daughter Karen Morrison, brothers Edward and Jack Morrison, and parents Edwin and Gena Morrison.

He is survived by daughters Lynn Morrison-Hamilton (Miles) of Lakeside and Robyn Morrison (Gerald Hill) of Helena, four grandchildren, three great-grandchildren, four nieces/nephews and eight great-nieces/nephews. Private family services will be held at a later date.

The family suggests memorials to the Northern Alumni Foundation in Havre, the University of Montana Foundation in Missoula, or an organization of the donors choice.

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

Susan Jennings Moyer, 83

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She loved interior design and brought this gift into the wide variety of projects she

championed.

Susan worked with the Kalispell City Council to create a revolving loan program for small businesses to impact job creation and new venues in downtown Kalispell. She was instrumental in bringing multiple government agencies and private companies together to re-develop a portion of the Gateway West Mall that later attracted a major employer to the Flathead Valley creating hundreds of new jobs.

Susan was a tireless advocate for individuals and families struggling to find affordable housing in Northwest Montana. Responding to this unmet need, Susan, together with Steve Van Helden of Glacier Bank, was instrumental in creating the First Time Home Buyers Program that assisted over 336 families in buying their first home and the Glacier Affordable Housing Foundation in conjunction with Glacier Bank. These programs served disadvantaged families providing home ownership and rehabilitation. Other housing projects for seniors and low to moderate income individuals were made possible through collaborations with the local United Way and Community Action Partnership.

served on the original steering committee to study the development of a community center for not-for-profit agencies — now the Gateway Community Center. She was grateful to Alcoholics Anonymous and the support this fellowship made on the lives of many in the community. After her retirement Susan volunteered with Kalispell Regional Healthcare's volunteer program serving as a greeter and receptionist.

Susan was honored to have received the Community Building Award from United Way & D.A. Davidson & Co; United Way's Volunteer of the Year Award; the HUD Excellence in Housing Award for the Courtyard (low income rentals) Apartments; Flathead Industries Award for her work in expanding independent living units for the disabled; NeighborWorks award for serving as a founding member of the Glacier Affordable Housing Network; Federal Home Loan Bank of Seattle for her service on the Affordable Housing Advisory Council; HUD's Certificate of National Recognition for fostering public and private partnerships using CDBG funding; the Montana Housing Partnership Affordable Housing Lifetime Achievement Award; and the State of Montana Governor's Citation for service to the City of Kalispell and the Montana Board of Housing. She was also nominated for the Skip Jason Community Service Award.

passed in March 2021.

Susan is survived by her daughter Shannon Moyer Montgomery and her husband Dr. Stuart Montgomery of Portland; granddaughters Charlee Mackey of Portland, and Kacie Mackey of Denver; grandsons Liam Montgomery of Colorado and Sawyer Montgomery who is serving in the Marines in Virginia.

Susan considered her greatest life accomplishment was that of raising and loving her daughter Shannon. She was most grateful to Shannon and her husband Stuart who supported her and loved her through the end days of her life.

Throughout her life she was immensely brave and faced difficult life challenges head on. In February 2021, Susan experienced a stroke that left her visually impaired. After her stroke she sold her home and moved to Buffalo Hill Terrace. She was fascinated with the process she was going through to recover from her stroke and wanted to know every detail of what was happening within her body. At the end of her life Susan made a courageous decision to stop dialysis. Susan faced death with the same energy and thoughtful organization as she did throughout her life.

As Susan began her journey to the other side she was filled with humbleness and gratitude. She was thankful for her long-term care providers at Dialysis, Inc., her care providers at Buffalo Hill Terrace assisted living unit, the medical team in the Hospice unit as well as the Logan Health medical hospital staff and the Rehabilitation Unit.

Longtime community builder and visionary, Susan Moyer, passed away on Aug. 7, 2021, at Logan Health Medical Center in Kalispell.

Despite many health challenges, Susan made a point of trying to touch the lives of those around her by being positive and encouraging. Her infectious, joyful spirit was a gift to all of her care providers, friends and family members. As her circle of influence narrowed, her living motto "brighten someone's day" continued to expand.

Susan was born in Rochester, New York, on March 4, 1938, to Helen Rockefeller Jennings and Clarence Jennings. As a result of her father serving in the U.S. Navy, Susan lived in a variety of communities throughout her childhood. She graduated from San Lorenzo High School in San Lorenzo, California, and later earned a business degree from San Jose State University. Susan was married twice (Vincent Bagan and later Paul Moyer — both now deceased).

She moved to Florida where her parents retired. During that time Susan worked for Martin Marietta, a defense contractor, as well as other positions that would prepare her for her future work in the Flathead Valley.

Susan traveled from Florida to the Flathead Valley to visit a friend and fell in love with Northwest Montana. Together with her young daughter Shannon and her mother Helen, they built a house in Lakeside where Susan raised her daughter and cared for her mother until her passing. Her Lakeside home was Susan's favorite place on earth with its panoramic views and peaceful setting. Susan requested her ashes be scattered in the bay that could be seen from that home.

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Susan Jennings Moyer, 83

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Susan faced many challenges in her personal life. As a single parent she often held two jobs in order to make ends meet. Working as a night auditor at the Outlaw Inn and as a full-time job as a secretary during the day, she worked her way through the ranks until she found her niche at the City of Kalispell.

Susan served the City of Kalispell for over 28 years with deep passion and commitment and became the community development director. She loved her work and the impact that it made for Flathead Valley. During her tenure Susan secured over \$19.2 million in grant funding for economic development, housing, and nonprofit projects. Some of those projects she was most proud of included the construction and expansion of the Samaritan House — the local homeless shelter; the creation of the current Head Start facility; the Flathead Youth Home — a shelter for teens; as well constructing semi-independent apartments for clients of Flathead Industries. Susan managed the renovation of the United Way, which is now owned by Agape (Epage) Home Care on Appleway Drive.

Concerned about affordable housing for senior citizens and persons with disabilities, Susan developed new construction and rehab projects including Courtyard Apartments, The Fernwell Apartments, Glacier Manor, Center Court Manor, Big Sky Manor, Teton Terrace, and the rehabilitation of many single-family homes and apartments complexes in Northwest Montana. A bench and plaque naming the courtyard as Susan's Place graces Center Court Manor's courtyard.

Nothing motivated Susan more than competing for grants and securing those grants to make a difference in other people's lives. She loved winning at everything. Once a grant was secured and another facility built, she enjoyed hosting the grand openings. She planned every detail of those events and welcomed leaders throughout the community to show off the project and tell the story of how lives would be changed as a result of the new facility.

Susan gave generously of her time serving on many community boards and committees including an appointment by Governor Judy Martz to the Montana Board of Housing; the Affordable Housing Advisory Council for the Federal Home Loan Bank of Seattle; Flathead Valley Chemical Dependency Clinic board and the United Way board. She participated in United Way's annual Citizens Review panels and served on its allocation process. She also chaired the Northwest Montana Emergency Food & Shelter board. Susan

Susan was known for her competitiveness, tenaciousness, unstoppable energy, stubbornness, and spunky sense of humor that made others laugh. Susan dressed to the "nines." Everything she wore had to match. She enjoyed using big words, testing authority, and proving that she was right. She lived with a sense of mischief. If she could shock you with a statement that you never dreamed would come out of the mouth of this classy, petite woman — she would do it and she loved it.

Some of her favorite things were jazz music, a cup of extremely hot coffee first thing in the morning with biscotti, and tending to her extraordinary flowers in her garden. She enjoyed fashion, collecting unusual sunglasses, oversized purses, earrings, watches, and the latest in shoes. Susan enjoyed cooking and was passionate about Christmas. Over the years she collected thousands of ornaments for her theme-based Christmas trees.

She was preceded in death by her parents Helen and Clarence Jennings, and her brother Stephen Jennings. Her only sibling Stephen Jennings lost his life in May of 1967 at Gio Lihn during the Vietnam War. Susan had always been proud of his service to his country and mourned the loss of her brother throughout her life.

A lifelong animal lover who favored the Shih Tzu breed, she grieved the loss of her beloved dog Yuki of 14 years who

She felt she was blessed with her long-term relationships with her A-Team who supported her including Dr. Marise Johnson, Dr. Roger Barth, her palliative care coordinators Sara and counselor John Erickson. Other members of her team Doug Houtz, Dr. Dan Savage — her long-time veterinarian, attorney Ericka Johnson, Joneen Bernhardt - Business Services, and her "administrative assistant" and friend of 30 years Sherry Stevens.

Special friends she leaves behind include Steve and Naine Van Helden, Lynn Moon, Emily and Matthew Zembake, JaCarla Corne, Suzanne Johnson and the members of the Dog Club, Lynn and Jim Hanz, and close neighbors in her housing development, as well as numerous special friends who remain anonymous.

Memorial contributions may be made in Susan's name to Tunnels to Towers, 2361 Hylan Blvd., Staten Island, NY 10306; or the Samaritan House, 124 9th Avenue West, Kalispell, MT 59901.

A celebration of Susan's life will be held on Friday, Sept. 10, at the Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home at 525 South Main at 10:30 a.m. A reception will be held at Brannigan's Pub immediately following the service.

Johnson-Gloschat is caring for the family.

Amber Mottner, 31

Amber Mottner, 31, of Kalispell, died Nov. 3, 2021.

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

Elaine L. Motz, 79

Elaine L. Motz, 79, of Bigfork, died June 15, 2021, in Bigfork.

She is survived by her children, Susan Reprogle, Teri Friedrich, Doreen Blanchard and

Jeff Motz.

No services are being held at this time. Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for the family.

Marion Morrison Muller, 91



Marion Morrison Muller passed on Oct. 10, 2021, while surrounded by her loving family.

She began her journey through life with her parents, pastor James D. Morrison and Marion R. Wilder, on Oct. 29, 1929 in Rochester, New York.

She married Robert "Bob" Muller, then a medical student, in 1952. They lived in Michigan, Idaho, Montana (1958-1981) and Arizona (1981-2021). She ran Bob's radiology billing office before their retirement to Sun City, Arizona.

Marion and Bob loved the outdoors and were quite the team. Family memories surrounding her include: the yellow Jeep that ferried kids all over Kalispell; she was a superb seamstress, sewing dresses for her daughters for Rainbow for Girls as well as many other occasions, plus she crafted personalized Christmas stockings covered in memories of the year for family members; hunting with Bob; fishing

in Alaska, Idaho, Arizona, Ashley Lake and Canada; float trips in Idaho and the Grand Canyon; flying coast to coast in planes Bob owned or built; golf at Buffalo Hill and Arizona; searching for Henry the basset hound, only to find him on a neighbor's couch; Betsy the beagle; the riding mower rolling out of the Jeep on Meridan Road; decorating the moose head for Christmas; hockey night after skiing while eating Moose's Pizza; reading with her as a young child; stealing lemon drops from her suitcase and Disneyland Big Band weekend.

She came from the entertaining era and was the perfect hostess. She loved food and was a gourmet cook. Family dinners consisted of everything from venison to hot dogs. Her enter-

taining often extended beyond dinners to gatherings with friends. Christmas often included friends.

Marion was a strong advocate for the growth and education of her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Throughout her life she cheered for them at recitals, athletic events, and educational advancement. She would stay in touch when they were far away and leveraged their support in her later years. Her honesty and love were timeless as she built relationships with them throughout their lives. She cherished time with each of them. She found tremendous delight in being a humble motherly figure and wasn't shy about sharing the love or laughter that they brought. She was encouraging through challenges, gently gave tough love when needed, and support through her lifetime. She encouraged formal education beyond high school for each and was a

longstanding member of P.E.O.

She was courageous in both life and death.

She was preceded in death by her brother George Morrison (1977), husband Bob (2009), and her sister Mary Faucher (2017).

She is inurned with Bob at Hansen Desert Hills Memorial Cemetery in Scottsdale, Arizona.

Marion is survived by her brother Jamie Morrison and sister Patsy Bloomgren; her children, Diane Muller, Rick Muller, (Susanne Sherba), and Barbara Morrow (Brad); four grandchildren, Kelsey Fulton (Rich), Molly Schulte (Rob), Robert Morrow and Betsy Morrow; and five great-grandchildren Margaret, Michael, Markie, Mac and Leona. She adored her family and will be greatly missed.

Interested parties may view her service at <https://vimeo.com/630247667>.

Michael E. Mullings, 66

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Michael E. Mullings, 66, entered into rest on Sept. 25, 2021, in Kalispell.



He was born on May 19, 1955, in Stockton, California, and called Montana his home since 1989.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Arnold and Francille Mullings.

He is survived by his children, Tracy and Troy Mee of Helena, Amy and Brian Ante; granddaughters, Stephanie Graff, Olivia and Abigail DiAddezio, and great-granddaughters, Everly and Emma Graff, all of Kalispell; and his brother, Jim (Mary) Mullings, of Ahwahnee, California. He was a loving, devoted husband, father, grandfather, son, brother, uncle and friend.

He was married in 1977 in Manteca, California, and with his wife, Renée, and their two daughters, moved to Montana in the fall of 1989 where he began his 30-year career with the Montana Department of Transportation, serving the people of the state of Montana until his retirement on May 19, 2020. He also served as assistant fire chief on the Lewis and Clark County Volunteer Fire Department for many years. He impacted many lives, with his incredible God given gift of engineering, wisdom and knowledge.

Mr. Mullings had an enthusiastic love for all things Montana. Until his health declined, he was an avid outdoorsman — hunting, fishing, hiking, canoeing, white water rafting; he loved all things this beautiful state offered him and

his family. Just prior to his passing, his passion for the preservation of Montana's wildlife came through like never before. His sincere desire was for future generations to be able to enjoy all things "Montana."

Even in the midst of his short struggle with glioblastoma, his faith and love for his Lord and Saviour remained strong and true. All who stood by his bedside left with an encouraged heart and a soft smile, not sad, but comforted by the words he left them. Mr. Mullings has left a great legacy and will be truly missed by his family and friends.

His family wishes to express their sincere thanks to Drs. Krass, Lessmeier, Stone and Hill for the excellent care he received regarding his prognosis in June of this year, as well as to the nursing staff of Logan

Hospice-Home Options these last two months, in particular, Susan Socha, Lisa, Berry, Angie, Kristie, Julie and aide Misty.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home, 525 Main Street, Kalispell, is honored to be serving the Mullings' family.

Visitation will be from noon to 1:45 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 30, at Sunrise Baptist, 3973 Montana Hwy. 35, Kalispell 59901, with services following at 2 p.m. officiated by Pastor David Haveman. A graveside service officiated by Pastor Russ McCurdy will be at 2 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 1, 2021, at Forestvale Cemetery, 690 Forestvale Road in Helena.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be sent to the mission field via Sunrise Baptist in Kalispell or Liberty Baptist, P.O. Box 911, in Helena, MT 59624.

Mary Ruth Mumby, 96

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Mary Ruth Mumby was born on April 3, 1925, in Fairfield, Iowa, to Victor and Hazel Leech. She was the youngest of five and the only girl.

Mary Mumby taught school in California and Colorado before retiring and moving to Montana in 1982.

She is survived by her three sons, eight grandchildren, 23 great-



grandchildren, and three great-great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, Oct. 9, at 1 p.m. at the Shining Mountains Science Church in Kalispell.

Norma Teresa Munro

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Norma Teresa Munro was born on Nov. 14, 1926, and passed on Dec. 9, 2021, at the age of 95.

She was one of 12 brothers and sisters raised on a farm in Fairfield, Montana, and graduated from the Sacred Heart School of Nursing in 1948. After nursing school, Norma moved to Libby where she met and married Raymond P. Munro. They had four children, Raymond Craig Munro (Debbie), Kerry Beasley (Jim), Patty McGill (Curt), and Mike Munro (Dori). Norma remained young at heart, often inspiring her six grandchildren: Kerry Ann, Michelle, Matthew, Jessica, Melanie, and Molly and sixteen great-grandchildren.

Good-natured, compassionate, unique, intelligent, and spirited, Norma's life revolved around her faith, family, and friends. She spent her life serving others in her community, in her family, and in her career as a nurse. Norma worked hard to support her family, but she also lived a life worth living as a fisher-woman, a hunter, a huckleberry picker, and a card player. With an open heart full of uncondition-



al love, no one felt like a stranger around Norma and she often greeted others with a hug —

even if you had started to extend your hand for a shake.

Norma's life journey was grounded and directed by her faith, she allowed God's light to shine through her and she claimed His strength to hold her up. Norma believed: "His love lasts a lifetime," and Norma's love will surely continue in each of our lives.

You are invited to a celebration of life at 10 a.m. Friday, Dec. 17, at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Libby, with a reception to follow. A visitation for Norma will be 1-7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 16, at Schnackenberg Funeral Home with a rosary at 7 p.m. To honor Norma's life, we ask you to think about reaching out daily with compassion to others, even with just a simple hug. Arrangements are under the care of Schnackenberg Funeral Home. Online condolences and memories may be shared by visiting www.schnackenbergfh.com.

Scott Marshall Murray, 56

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Scott Marshall Murray, formerly of Kalispell, died at his home in Incline Village, Nevada, on March 17, 2021.

He was born May 11, 1964, in Kalispell to Joan Brooks Murray of Portland and Marshall H. Murray of Forest Grove, Oregon. They survive him.

Scott was an athlete at Flathead High School, lettering in football, basketball and track. He set a rushing record in football that stood for decades. He graduated from the University of Montana. While attending UM, Scott played Grizzly football and was a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

Scott was in the hospitality industry near Truckee, California. Over the years he worked at luxury golf courses in Palm Springs, California,

and the Lake Tahoe area. He was an avid golfer and enjoyed skiing at the many Tahoe resorts. Scott had a way a making sure all people felt welcome and always could make a new friend.

Scott is also survived by his sister Mary Katherine "Kathy" Ficken, husband Mark and nieces Liz of Portland, Emelia, her husband Matt and their child, Jamie of Lakeview, Colorado, and nephew Karl of Portland. In addition, Scott is survived by his aunts, Connie Lord (Ed), Phyllis, and Avice (Ivan) and their families.

Scott was preceded in death by his sister, Marsha Murray-Lusby and remained close with his brother-in-law Russ and their children Drew and Rachel, all from Portland.

Jerry A. Munson, 91

Jerry A. Munson, 91, of Columbia Falls, died Dec. 1, 2021.

Funeral services are pending.

Schnackenberg and Nelson Funeral Home in Eureka is handling arrangements.

Robert James Murdock, 82

Robert James Murdock, 82, of Kalispell, died Nov. 18, 2021 at Logan Health Medical Center.

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

Marion L. (Hope) Myers, 87

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Marion L. (Hope) Myers passed away in Casper, Wyoming, on Aug. 29, 2021, with her family by her side after a short illness. A private family memorial will be held at a later date.

Marion was born Oct. 28, 1933, in Lacadena, Saskatchewan, and was the youngest child of G. Munro and Mabel (Anderson) Hope. She was raised on the family farm near Whitebear, Saskatchewan, along with her two brothers, Munro and Bob; and sister, Joyce. She had many fond memories of life on the farm. In 1948 her parents retired from farming and moved to Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, where Marion attended high school and then Teachers College. Marion met her future husband, Norman Myers, in Saskatoon where he was enlisted in the Royal Canadian Air Force. They married on Aug. 19, 1954. Marion taught for one year before marriage and two years after in small country schools, one year was first through ninth grade. (Quite a challenge.)

In 1956 Marion and Norman moved to Libby, Montana, where their daughter Dianne was born and then on to Kalispell where their son David was born. Kalispell was their home for the next 60 years. Marion attended Flathead Valley Community College in Kalispell in 1968 to pursue an interest in computer programming and was then hired by the college first as a programmer and then department manager. She then moved



on to a private programming firm until retirement. It was a career she very much enjoyed.

Marion was a loving daughter, wife, mother, grandmother and friend. She traveled through the various stages of her life with a positive, sensible outlook, always able to provide sound advice. She had her share of health issues over the years and always prevailed with a positive "It'll be okay, this too shall pass" attitude. She was a compassionate caregiver to Norman for 10 years after he had suffered a stroke.

In 2016 Marion moved to Casper and lived in the Primrose Retirement Community to be near her daughter and son. She very much enjoyed her Primrose home, the residents and caring staff.

Marion leaves behind her children Dianne (John) Stearns and David (Janet) Myers; grandchildren, Justin and Christopher Stearns; sister-in-law, Joyce Hope; and numerous very special nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by her husband, Norman; parents Munro and Mabel Hope; brothers, Munro and Bob Hope; and sister, Joyce King.

She will be lovingly remembered and deeply missed! Heaven has gained a great soul!

Donations in Marion's name can be made to a local hospice facility or a charity of your choice.

Richard E. Myers, 89

Richard E. Myers, 89, of Hungry Horse, died July 17, 2021, in Kalispell.

He is survived by his wife, Eva Myers.

There will be no services.

Columbia Mortuary and Cremations is caring for the family.

Michael 'Mike' Ivan Myers, 74

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Michael "Mike" Ivan Myers, 74, passed away on Jan. 13, 2021, at Sidney Health Care Center in Sidney, Montana.



with haying, hauling beets and many other chores. They were very honored and thankful to have him as a friend and continued



Michael was born on Dec. 18, 1946, to Charles Clifford and Vera Marie (Sullivan) Myers in Kalispell. He attended Deer Park School near the family home on Middle Road before attending Flathead County High School in Kalispell. Michael's mother and brothers also attended school at Deer Park.

On his 18th birthday, in December of 1965, Michael received notice from the U.S. Army draft board and reported for duty on Jan. 11, 1966. After basic and advanced training, he deployed to Vietnam. While in Vietnam his father passed away. Michael was allowed home for the funeral and returned to Vietnam. After Michael's tour of duty in Vietnam he was transferred to Fort Lewis, Washington, where he lived on base with his family until he was discharged. As Michael's health declined, he was asked if he was afraid of dying and replied "No I am not afraid. I was in Vietnam."

During his two years in the military Michael made rank of specialist 5 sergeant. While at Fort Lewis, Michael had the solemn duty of escorting a fallen soldier home and to his final resting place. He received training for the duty and remained with the soldier all the days of the duty, supporting and helping the family; a duty which Michael proudly and compassionately performed.

that friendship to his last days.

Michael was a dedicated member of the AA program and rarely missed a meeting. He helped and sponsored many, many persons in the program who today credit their sobriety to Michael's belief in them and ties remained strong. It is hard to put into words the extent of Michael's dedication to the AA program and the feelings from all those he helped and befriended.

Michael was an exceptional and fearless horseman and rode horses every chance he could. Many years ago, he entered bare back bronco riding competition at the rodeo (O-Mok-See) in Columbia Falls, only once. Michael rode for three days in the great Bicentennial cattle drive, riding from Sidney to Billings. He loved and cared for horses, owning several until his passing. Over the years he raised chicken, goats, pigs, calves and horses. He grew incredible gardens and much of the fruits of his labor he gladly gave away. He was always a farmer and rancher at heart.

Michael had two sons, Michael Charles and Travis Kurt, and a daughter Kari Lee, whom he dearly loved. In a letter he wrote, not too long before his passing, that in all he had been through in his life, he was given "his beautiful children." Michael cherished the time he spent with them and as they did with him. In the time apart they were together in heart and soul always.

Michael had many and varied occupations. He worked on a farming ranch, set chokers for Weyerhaeuser in Washington, was employed at American Timber in Olney and Libby Dam construction, followed oil drilling in North Dakota, Wyoming, Colorado, owned a septic tank business. He spent his later years taking care of his ranch near Sidney. Michael had many friends and neighbors whom he helped

Michael is survived by sons, Michael and Travis, both of Kalispell; daughter, Kari Lee, of Utah; grandchildren, Christopher Kurt, Brittany Lynn, Tristen Lee, Joshua Chase and Landen; great-grandchildren, Kodi Michael, Alex Phillip, and Chase; nephew Scott, and niece Sandy.

Michael was preceded in death by his father, Charles Clifford; brothers, Lee Allen and Larry Clifford; mother, Vera Marie; grandparents, Ivan and Mary Myers, and Michael Henry and Mary Sullivan.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 23, at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home, with burial and military honors to follow 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.

