

Linda L. Adam, 78

Linda L. Adam was born July 8, 1944, in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, to Roy and Blanche Walker.

At 18 years of age, Linda left Cedar Rapids to attend school at Westmar College in Le Mars, Iowa, where she studied art and physical education.

While building a homecoming float, Linda caught the eye of Conrad Adam. A relationship developed, and the two were married on Aug. 21, 1965, in Cedar Rapids.

In 1966, Linda and Conrad welcomed their first son, Chuck. In 1967, the family moved to Laurel, Montana, where they were joined by a second son, Chris.

In 1969, the family relocated to Kalispell, where

Linda dedicated 35 years to the county Clerk and Recorder's office.

When Linda found time outside of raising her boys, she was very active in youth programs at Central Bible Church, where she selflessly gave her time to the Awana program for 40 years.

During her retirement years, Linda found passion in helping countless individuals and families throughout the community, by donating not only of her time and resources, but by giving freely, and effortlessly her kindness, and her smile.



Linda was especially pleased if the people she could help were small children.

Linda found happiness in Southern Gospel music, and working in her flower garden, where she could deservedly sit back and admire the results of her work.

Linda was a kind, giving soul who would never turn away someone in need, be it a fellow human, a furry feline, or a hungry bird. Her spirit and gentle nature will be missed by all who were blessed to know her.

Linda passed unexpectedly on July 30, 2022.

She will join in heaven her parents, Roy and Blanche, her sister Mary Kirchner, and grandson

Garrett Charles Adam.

She is survived by her husband Conrad Adam, sons Chuck and Chris (wife Tonya), and grandchildren Jordan Gilmour (husband Wyatt), and Haddie Adam.

Arrangements for Linda's services are in the care of Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home in Kalispell.

Visitation will be held at Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home in Kalispell, Thursday, Aug. 4, from 3 to 5 p.m. Funeral services will be held at Central Bible Church at 1 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 5.

"You may be gone from my sight, but you are never gone from my heart" — A.A. Milne

Robert 'Bob' D. Adams, 92

Robert "Bob" D. Adams, 92, of Columbia Falls, passed away Oct. 10, 2022. He was born March 10, 1930 in St. Paul, Minnesota, to Robert Roy Adams and Ruth Elizabeth Adams (Major).



Bob was a true outdoorsman. Outside is where he enjoyed hunting, camping and fishing. Some of Bob's hobbies included playing cribbage, dancing and singing. Bob served our nation's military as a member of the United States Air Force during the Korean War, from 1948 to 1952. Once he returned home, Bob worked at Plum Creek (Superior), Hungry Horse Dam, Anaconda Aluminum and finally retired from Bonneville Power in 1992. Bob was a true patriot and enjoyed participating in everything at the Veterans Home. He was also a big time socializer and people person. You would often hear Bob whistling when he was outside.

Bob is survived by wife of 70 years, Shirley M. Adams; son, Donald Adams (Sudie); son, Bruce Adams (Terri);

daughter, Diane White; six grandchildren, Misty, Crystyl, LaNaé, Jeremy, Matt and Missy; 14 great-grandchildren; and numerous nephews.

In addition to his parents, Bob was preceded in death by brother, Gerald Adams; and son-in-law, Michael White.

We would like to thank all the staff at the Montana Veterans Home for all the care and kindness to Bob and his family.

Services for Bob will be held privately at the convenience of the family.

To send online condolences, please visit www.columbiamortuary.com.

Thomas Lee Adrignola, 61

Thomas Lee Adrignola, 61, of Columbia Falls passed away unexpectedly but peacefully on June 20th, 2022.

Thomas is survived by his wife Angela; father Antonio; sons Andrew (wife Paola) and Anthony; daughter Arianna; brothers Charles and Carlo; sisters Luci (husband Tim) and April (husband Stewart); his beloved dogs Kip and Angel; stepsons Coby and Tyler; grandchildren and many nieces and nephews. He was known as Papa Tom to his grandchildren Skyler, Sicily, Taylee, Alex, and Brooke.

He was predeceased by his mother, Florence and

his brother Tony.

Thomas was born in Ogden, Utah, on May 19, 1961. He grew up in Rollins graduating from Polson High School in 1979. He joined the United States Air Force in 1981 and served at several posts stateside and overseas in Iceland, Saudi Arabia, Italy, and Holland as a security police specialist. He was honorably discharged in 1987 and resided in Utah for several



years afterward. Thomas returned to Montana to live out the rest of his life in the place he loved the most.

Thomas was devoted to his community and volunteered with the U.S. Forest Service from 1983 to 1985, was a member of Rollins Volunteer Fire Department from 2004 to 2009, serving as a training officer, assistant chief, and was the volunteer fire chief from 2008 to 2009.

Thomas was an avid hunter, fisherman, and overall outdoorsman. He was a three-time Flathead Lake Rock Skipping Champion, once tied with best friend and brother Carlo. He was a loving

husband, father, Papa, son, brother, and uncle who always worked hard to provide for his family. Thomas will be remembered by family and friends for his sense of humor and laugh which was distinctive, infectious, and joyous. He was the most hard-working man, a jack-of-all-trades, and lent a hand to all in need. He was a kind-hearted, passionate person, whose beautiful soul was taken too soon from this earth.

A celebration of life will be held July 3 at 12 p.m. at the Rollins Community Center, 10985 Rollins Lakeshore Dr., Rollins.

Annett Audrey (Windon) Abell, 90

Annett Audrey (Windon) Abell was born at home on the family farm to Jesse C. and Audrey (Erb) Windon on the first day of spring, March 20, 1932, near Maple Falls, Washington. She joined older brother Clyde and sister Idella.

She grew up on the farm helping her dad and brother Clyde put up hay and milk cows, feed the turkeys and chickens and also helping her mom weed the garden and pick wild blackberries and then can and preserve the fruits of that labor. One of her first jobs was picking strawberries for 10 cents a flat in the nearby strawberry farm, money she used to buy school clothes. She learned to drive and took her driving test in the family's 1947 Willys Jeep that is still owned by the family today.

Mom graduated from Mount Baker High School in 1949 with perfect attendance and set off to discover the world, visiting Yellowstone National Park by Greyhound bus with her sister Idella in tow and then moving off the farm to work in nearby Bellingham, Washington, as a secretary/ stenographer, then moving to Seattle.

In 1957 she met and later married Merrill "Lucky" Abell, a

Montana cowboy. They called the rural area around Seattle their home until the

summer of 1966 on one of the many vacations back to the spot where Dad's heart was, he was finally able to talk her into leaving behind the conveniences of modern life like electricity and central heat. Albeit grudgingly, she moved to a remote mountain ranch in Kila into a small two-bedroom home. Six miles from the nearest power pole and 12 miles from pavement she raised three sons to be self-sufficient, calving cows, feeding a haying crew, and growing a garden, all while still finding time to go fishing on Mount Creek with us boys. In 1973 they sold the ranch in Browns Meadow and moved to the Helena Flats area of Evergreen and continued to farm and ranch on a smaller scale. Eventually they got out of the cattle business and raised and showed Quarter horses until 1986.

After they left the horse business Mom decided it was time to finally do some things for herself and she started



walking at the Center Mall, making many lasting friendships in the process. She was a caretaker to Dad as his health failed and after he passed in 1995. She traveled with friends to Pahrump, Nevada, on several occasions to enjoy a show and gamble a tiny bit. She also took great pride in her yard and flower gardens and caring for her beloved birds with many bird feeders in her yard. Her favorites were the hummingbirds whose feeders she made sure were where she could watch from her chair.

Mom continued to maintain her yard and gardens, doing her own mowing and weeding and living on her own until two years ago at the age of 88 she finally allowed her oldest son Jay and his wife Lashon to move in with her and help her as her battle with Alzheimer's had taken away her ability to be independent any longer. Last year on the 5th of March she moved into BeeHive Homes in Kalispell where she quickly made new friends and settled into her routine. Although she wasn't always able to recall our names, she always remembered that she knew us and was happy to have us visit. Mom passed into the arms of

Jesus on the 8th of June, 2022, at 1:15 p.m. with her family at her side at BeeHive Homes.

She was preceded in death by her parents Jesse and Audrey Windon, her husband Merrill "Lucky" Abell, her brother Clyde and sister-in-law Mary Ann Windon, sister Idella and brother-in-law Bill McCuen, nephew David McCuen and great-great-grandson Knox Duel who passed in infancy.

She is survived by sons Jay and wife Lashon Abell, Brad and wife Aleta Abell, and Larry Abel; grandchildren, Jennifer and husband Jake Betzold, Jamie and husband Avery Kyle, Rebecca Abell, Jessica Abell and husband Brandon Clouse, Isaac Mott, Jennifer Micone, Drew Clark and significant other Mercedes Gladden and Gabriel McNeely; 21 great-grandchildren and eight great-great grandchildren.

A celebration of life will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, June 25, at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home.

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

Jack Duane Allen, 81

Jack Duane Allen died on Dec. 24, 2022 at 81 years old, of natural causes at his home in Polson, Montana. He was born on Aug. 6, 1941 to Lloyd and Helen Allen in Tecumseh, Michigan.

He grew up in the small town of Tipton, Michigan and went to grade school in a one-room rural school. He graduated from Tecumseh High School in 1959 and Stauzenberger Business College in 1963 in Toledo, Ohio.

When Jack was 10 years old, his father became a paraplegic. When he was 10-16 years old, he spent most of his time driving John Deere tractors and tending to his bees. By 1959, Jack had 100 colonies of bees



and was awarded "State Farmer in FFA".

Jack moved the family to Polson in 1972 and managed Western Bee. He was a man of many talents. From driving semis across the country, to running his own businesses in Michigan and Montana. Namely, Allen's Bee Box Factory and Mission Valley Appliance. And most notably, for his love of being a beekeeper. He loved to dance, host family BBQs, fish, camp and hunt.

Jack was preceded in death by his parents; grandson Roman

Bell; and step-son Rick VanThiel.

Jack is survived by the love of his life, wife Lorrie (married May 2010); his sister, Jeannette Brussow of Lake Isabella, Michigan; his children Joan (Perry) Deschamps of Spokane, Washington, James (Holly) Allen of Ronan, Montana and Janet (David) Young of Polson; his grandchildren, Maddie Mahan, Jacob (Kyla) Young, Jared (Corbin) Young, Justin Young, Josh Young, Crista Young, Brenna Young, Callie Young, Thorin Young, Neveah Young, Brittany (Justin) Jaccaud, Jordan Allen, Maegan (Ty) Unruh, and Elizabeth (Russell) Clairmont; 4 step-children, Steve and Marci

Dillon, Tamar Tatro and Dawn Stewart; his nephews, Daniel and Dennis McGeen; and numerous great-grandchildren.

There will be a memorial service announced at a later date. In remembrance of Jack's life, the family asks that any donations be made to Five Valley Accordion, so everyone can keep on dancing! Please make the check out to Five Valley Accordion, 4504 Edward Ave., Missoula MT 59804. Note "In Memory of Jack Allen" on the memo line. 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.

Darlene Allik, 88

In the early morning hours of May 6, 2022, Darlene Allik gently passed on, being welcomed into heaven by family and dear friends who had gone on before her.



Mom was born in Strathcona, Minnesota, on May 18, 1933, to Ted and Gladys Stahlberg. The family grew with the birth of two brothers, and one little sister.

In 1947, the family moved to Somers and in 1950, Darlene graduated from Flathead County High School. Upon meeting a young Canadian

man, she fell in love and married Leonard Michael in 1951. They moved to Campbell River, British Columbia, where Dad's family lived.

In the incredible time before her passing, Mom and I had many amazing chats. I was enchanted when she told me about standing in the rain with her new sister-in-law. They had been in Vancouver and were able to see the young Queen Elizabeth in her carriage.

Eventually, the family moved back to Montana, first to Columbia Falls, then to Kalispell.

Ultimately, they moved to Polson where they raised their daughter and three sons.

In addition to caring for her little ones, Mom usually worked in a variety of jobs. For years, she worked in the meat department at the B and B. (Dad was the meat cutter.) There were also the years that Mom and Dad had a greenhouse, selling bedding plants every spring.

As life went on, her family grew with grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

All could always count on Grandma's home being a safe haven.

Although her last days were not as she would've liked, they were filled

with love and will always be treasured.

We didn't lose Mom, we gained an angel!

She was preceded in death by her husband, parents, brother Bob and sons, Greg and Mark.

She is survived by daughter Wendy, son Mike, brother Jerry, sister Diane, sister-in-law, Pat; several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Private family services will be held.

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.

Don Zen Allred, 88

Don Zen Allred, 88, returned to his heavenly home Sunday, Nov. 20, 2022, while at home in Gold Star Park Quartzsite, Arizona, where he and his wife, Louise, have resided since 1997.

He was born May 18, 1934, in Charlo, Montana, to James Zeneth and Dollie Loretta Burraston Allred, the fifth of six children. He graduated from Ronan High School in 1953 and went to Moler Barber College in Spokane. After graduating he worked in Missoula and then in Anaconda where he met his future wife, Louise Kunkel. They were married July 10, 1955. Jan. 7,

1956, he entered the U.S. Army where he served until December 1957. Don went back to Anaconda to Barber for eight months

before purchasing his own barbershop in Columbia Falls. In 1970 Don sold the shop and accepted a job with the Columbia Falls School District 6 as purchasing agent and transportation supervisor. He retired in December 1993. The following month Don



and Louise started their retirement life and became snowbirds, traveling to visit family and friends in Arizona. Three years later they sold their Columbia Falls home, and bought a home in Quartzsite, Arizona, and resided there until his death. Don was a lifelong active member of the Church Of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, and held many positions during his lifetime.

He is survived by his wife of 67 years, Louise Kunkel Allred; and children, Roger (Lorree) Allred of Quartzsite, Jerry (Deniece) Allred of Kalispell, Jim (Gwen) Allred of West Fargo,

North Dakota, Renee' (Bob) Lange of Callao, Missouri, and Darren (Donna) Allred of Grand Junction, Colorado; also sisters, Beth Nolan of Grantsville, Utah, and Jean Remington of Somers; 16 grandchildren and 24 great-grandchildren.

Don was preceded in death by his daughter,

Lor; Jean Allred, granddaughter Aubrea Dawn Allred, parents Zen and Dollie Allred, brother Buddie Allred, and sisters Ruth Barber and Lois Bachmeier.

A memorial service was held Nov. 26 at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Quartzsite. A graveside service will be Saturday,

Dec. 3, at 1 p.m. at Woodlawn Cemetery in Columbia Falls.

Funeral Home services were provided by Parker Funeral Home in Parker, Arizona, and Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls.

In lieu of flowers, just send a card or make a donation to the Veterans Home in Columbia Falls.

David Anderson, 78

David went home to be with our Lord on Oct. 3, 2022.

He was born Nov. 21, 1943, in Great Falls. He graduated from Montana State University and attended the University of Montana School of Business Administration and Law School. He was a Vietnam veteran, serving two years with the Adjutant General's Department at Fort Meade, and was the commander of the Army Reserve Unit in Kalispell for 10 years. He was director and president of several banks in Montana, Chamber of Commerce president, Salvation Army trea-



surer, and the owner of multiple successful Montana businesses.

He was predeceased by his daughter Kristen, and is survived by his wife Star, brother Gary and his wife Gail, niece Gretchen, sister Penny and her husband Pete, nieces Heather and Heidi, daughter Mandi, and stepsons Steven, Lance and Austin.

David was cremated and a celebration of life will take place at a later date.

June M. Anderson, 94

June M. Anderson, 94, of Bigfork, passed away on Nov. 9, 2022, surrounded by her loving family.

June was born on March 21, 1928, to Esker (Mutt) Moore and Gertrude (Shorty) Moore in Craig, Colorado. She came into the world prematurely, and was placed in a shoebox by the wood stove to keep her warm. With little confidence that she would survive, no birth certificate was even issued. But as we know, June was determined and strong willed from the very beginning and she thrived. Brothers Vaughn and Jack were born soon after and their family was complete.

June's family followed jobs in the oilfields and spent a short time in Wyoming and Texas; then in May of 1932, they landed in Cut Bank, Montana. June spent her childhood and high school years in this prairie town nestled against the backdrop of the stunning Rocky Mountain Front. Times were tough and so was she. June's early years were spent homesteading and were quite primitive. From riding horses, raising livestock, working the land, and even bathing in a metal washtub, June

was part of a tougher generation.

June worked at the Cut Bank Drug Store through her high school years. For more than half a century she stayed in close contact with many of her classmates. At the age of 19 June took a job at the Ben Franklin store; there she met Andy Anderson and his son Dudley.

June and Andy were married May 6th of 1949. They moved to Bigfork to begin their lives together. They purchased the Bigfork Mercantile and the adjoining house on Bigfork Bay where they lived and raised their family. They welcomed their first son, Bruce in the summer of 1950 and another son, Bart two years later. In the spring of 1958 they had their daughter, Barbie. The Anderson family made lasting memories through hard work, family fun, sports and community involvement.

June and Andy's love story was sadly cut short when he passed away in 1972. June persevered, at just 44 years old, she stayed active in the community, and surrounded herself with family and friends. During this time of great sorrow, June opened her heart and her home and Mike Wolstein joined the family. A teenage diamond in the rough, he needed Big J, just as much as she needed to love and care for him.

June ran the Bigfork Mercantile for a few more years and then went on to work for Radice Real Estate. In her 60s she became a baker for Bigfork school. With nine grandchildren scattered throughout the school, June loved being a close part of their lives and a supporter of all their activities. She kept every-



one well stocked with fresh bread and cinnamon rolls until she retired at the age of 75.

June was the salt of the earth and a pillar of the community. When she saw a need she was there. She was proudly involved in the work of the Lutheran church. She also served as an active member of several organizations including the Eastern Stars, the Rebekahs, the Lady Lions, and the PTA. June loved to see active youth in the community, and started the Valkyrie Baton Twirlers, took tickets at games, and supported the Boosters Club.

June was an unwavering friend to many and was always up for an adventure. Once she finally got a birth certificate, she traveled with and to see many close friends. June also enjoyed family cabin trips, attending sporting events, and cheering on her many grand- and great-grandchildren. She could smell out a good horse and made the best applesauce in town.

June set a beautiful example of how to live a life of honor and service to others. She faced each day with positivity and a heart filled with gratitude. We will forever carry our precious memories of her in our hearts. June was preceded in death by her husband Andy Anderson, her son Bruce Anderson, her brother Vaughn Moore, and her great-granddaughter Natalie Wright.

June is survived by Dudley and Joyce Anderson, Ann Anderson, Billie Anderson, Bart and Pam Anderson, Mike and Bobbi Wolstein, and Barbie and Keith Grinde. June's legacy also lives on in her many grandchildren, Eric Klemencic, Amy and David Boyce, Erika and Matthew Wright, Fletcher and Stephanie Anderson, Andi Anderson, Chad and Jennifer Anderson, Darbi and David Cameron, Frannie and Taylor Quiram, Joe and Carly Wolstein, Kara and Ben Gronley, and Jill and Aaron Parish; and her many great-grandchildren, Floyd, Madison, Jakob, Isabella, Abigail, Nikolas, Will, Dexter, Weston, Keira, Ruthie, Reese, Quindy, Raya, Carson and Case.

June's celebration of life and reception will be held at the Bethany Lutheran Church in Bigfork on Saturday, Nov. 26, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. A private family gathering will follow.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests support for the Bigfork Booster Club, an organization supporting community youth that June felt strongly about. Donations can be made at Glacier Bank of Bigfork, 8251 Highway 35, Bigfork, MT, 59911; 406-751-7778.

Justin 'Jay' James Anderson, 52

Justin "Jay" James Anderson, of Missoula, passed away Thursday, June 9, 2022, at his home after a hard-fought battle with pancreatic cancer.

Jay was born on Jan. 29, 1970, in Kalispell. He grew up in Bigfork playing baseball, basketball, track and golf. He graduated from Bigfork High School in 1988 and went on to play baseball at Big Bend Community College in Washington. In 1993 he graduated from Whitworth College in Spokane. From 1993 to 1995 he worked as a golf pro in California after which he returned to the family business,

Anderson Masonry Hearth and Home, in Missoula.

In 2000 he married Beth Trimp. They welcomed a daughter, Lauren, in 2002, and a son, Mason, in 2005. Jay loved his children very much and took great pride in coaching and cheering Mason in baseball, and watching Lauren excel in school. In 2020 Jay married Dawn Chase and became a stepfather to Josh and Jacob Seaton. He loved playing baseball and hitting golf balls with Mase, hanging



out with Lauren and Josh and Jacob, playing golf with his buddies at the Club, spending holidays with his mom and siblings, and traveling to Cancun with Dawn. Jay was a loving father, husband, son, brother and uncle. He had a big heart, a kind soul, and was a loyal friend.

He was preceded in death by his father, Edwin C. "Bud" Anderson. He is survived by his wife, Dawn Anderson; his daughter, Lauren; son, Mason; stepsons, Josh and Jacob Seaton; mother, Nina Anderson; sister, Katie (Rex) Radtke and brother Zack (Sally) Anderson;

grandmother, Mona Tidbal, parents-in-law, Doug and Guy Chase; niece Ashely Anderson and nephews Jackson Radtke, Angus Anderson and Archer Radtke; and a large extended family.

A celebration of his life will take place at the Missoula Country Club on Friday June 17, at 2 p.m. with a gathering to follow until 4 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, his family asks that donations be made to Grace Hospice: P.O. Box 212, Clinton, MT 59825.

Services are under the direction of Garden City Funeral Home and Crematory.

Robert Matthews Anderson, 100

Robert Matthews Anderson passed away Nov. 16 at the age of 100 in his home in Whitefish, Montana, surrounded by his wife, Mary (Mitzi) of 70 years, and his children, Grant Anderson of Kalispell, Montana and daughter, Dana (Anderson) Thompson of Bainbridge Island, Washington.

Born in New York City on Sept. 8, 1922, and raised in Glenrock, New Jersey and later Connecticut, Bob graduated Greenwich High School in 1940, participating in Boy Scouts, track and swimming. An active member of the Greenwich YMCA and an Eagle Sea Scout, Bob spent his youth navigating the waters of New England Sound, developing a love of the sea that came naturally, as he came from a long line of merchant sea captains; he built two sloops, 12 and 14 feet, which he often sailed. His wife Mitzi laughingly attributes her possession of a 21-foot Star when they first met as her primary attraction for him.

Bob Anderson was very much a member of what Tom Brokaw called the greatest generation, coming of age during the Great Depression and then, after a year studying at Clemson and two years at the University of Connecticut, leaving college in 1943 to enlist in WWII. Bob spent one and a half years stationed in the Hawaiian Islands as a demolition specialist and was part of the planned final invasion force sailing toward Japan at the



end of the war. His troop was intended to be part of the re-taking of Saipan, but at the last moment was piggybacked by more experienced troops, so instead followed in after the battle, for which Bob always expressed humility and gratitude for having been spared. Later, as his troop ship was heading to Osaka in September of 1945, they passed the USS Missouri leaving Tokyo Bay with General MacArthur on board, with the signed Instrument of Surrender ending WWII in the Pacific, which was an emotional and memorable experience for the young soldiers learning they didn't have to invade. Bob then spent the next one and a half years in Japan with the Occupation Forces, where he developed a life-long respect and interest in the Japanese people and culture.

After earning his honorable discharge at the rank of Corporal, Bob returned home in 1946, finished his undergraduate studies at the University of Connecticut and then headed west to Stanford to study

Geology. He spent two summers as a roughneck on drilling rigs in Long Beach earning money for school and learning the mechanics of drilling, which would later prove to be valuable experience for his later work in Montana. He eventually transferred to UCLA, earning his master's degree in Geology, spending two summers mapping the canyons of the Los Padres National Forest and the Topatopa mountains of Ventura County for his thesis. In 1955, the Santa Felicia Dam on Piru Creek was built, creating Lake Piru, thus rendering the area he mapped underwater. To this day, Bob's thesis is the only detailed and recorded geologic information on the area and is still utilized!

In 1952, Bob married the love of his life, Mary (Mitzi) Reichling and the young couple headed to Great Falls, Montana for their honeymoon, where Bob joined in partnership with Virgil Chamberlain, a consulting geologist. For the next three years, Bob started a busy career overseeing the drilling of oil wells all over Montana, after which, Bob and Mitzi spent an interesting two-year detour in the four corners area in New Mexico, living on the Navajo Reservation, where Bob prospected for uranium for a group of businessmen in Salt Lake City. They then returned to Montana in 1956 and settled in Cut Bank for the next 15 years as Bob continued his work as

a consulting geologist and petroleum engineer. In 1965 he was hired by HiCrest Oil of Calgary, Alberta to watch the drilling of a wildcat well in the Bear Paw Mountains, south of Havre. It was this gas discovery well that ushered in a flurry of drilling in Hill and Blaine Counties, and the family eventually relocated to Havre in 1969. Bob was widely respected as a geologist, known for running a "tight hole", meaning no whisper of information on the samples retrieved by rig hands ever escaped, and he was known as a man of integrity, competence, thoroughness and fairness, and a mentor to those learning the trade.

While he still remained engaged in geology and sat the occasional well, in 1986 Bob and Mitzi became Christmas tree farmers, operating Anderson Evergreens in Creston, Montana, providing trees to various organizations' tree lots. One of the highlights was when a group of Taiwanese, organized by the Montana Department of Agriculture, came to tour local farms and purchase trees.

Bob was, to the very end, a consummate gentleman, treating everyone he met with equal courtesy and respect. Bob was a kind man, husband, father, grandfather and uncle — gentle and generous, a true protector, and although he never lost his Yankee reserve, he had a wonderful, wry and warm humor, making sure all in his orbit knew how

cherished they were.

Bob was a lifetime member of the AAPG and a member of the American Legion.

Bob was preceded in death by his parents, Cecelia and George Anderson of Greenwich, Connecticut, his sister, Cecelia E. Banks of Avon, Connecticut, and his son, Blake Anderson. He is survived by his wife Mitzi of 70 years; his son Grant Anderson, (Kalispell); his daughter, Dana, and his son-in-law Joe Thompson, (Bainbridge Island, Washington); his grandson, Will Thompson, (Bethesda, Maryland), and his grand-daughter, Anna Thompson, (San Luis Obispo, California), as well as nephew Tom (Cynthia) Barks (Georgia), nieces Susan (Tom) Bradley (Connecticut), Ginny (Matt) Durst (Connecticut), Tracy O'Reilly (Montana), Ann Reichling (California),

and numerous great-nieces and nephews.

The family would also like to thank the many caregivers from Comfort Keepers and Committed Care — as well as Enhabit Hospice — who made it possible for us to keep him at home, surrounded by those he loved and who loved him. We are forever grateful.

A celebration of life will be held on Dec. 10 at 11:30 a.m. at the First Presbyterian Church of Whitefish, with lunch to follow, and an interment service and lunch to follow in Cut Bank on Dec. 12 at 2 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, please kindly make a donation in Bob's name to: The Flathead Warming Center in Kalispell, Treatment Advocacy Center, in D.C., or the YMCA of Greenwich, Connecticut. To send online condolences please visit www.austinfh.com.

William Archer, 89

William Archer passed away peacefully surrounded by loved ones Feb. 17, 2022.

He was born Oct. 7, 1932, in Memphis, Tennessee, to Mack and Rosine Archer. His family moved to Pocahontas, Arkansas, where they owned and operated a small grocery store and some small hunting cabins. In his teen years Bill worked in the family store, and also as a fishing guide for the renters in the cabins. Bill loved the outdoors. He was very at home in the water. Bill was very adept at maneuvering a small canoe while using his fly rod, which he called his "buggy whip."

It was in Pocahontas that Bill met his wife Christine. The couple was married in 1954 and shared 64 years of love and devotion. Bill often referred to Christine as his angel.

Bill and Christine moved their family to California where Bill worked for many years in the plumbing trade. His introduction to Montana was through his aunt Grace who had a small cabin near Libby. He instantly fell in love with Montana, and eventually moved his family there in the early '80s.

Bill was a voracious reader. He loved reading

nonfiction. One of his favorite subjects was the history of the Native Americans. Stories

of people overcoming adversity were relatable to him, as he had to overcome the physical limitations and the stigma of polio. Despite his physical disabilities, he was a very hard worker. He taught us all to not let obstacles discourage us. Don't give up. Have faith, courage and a strong will and anything is possible.

Bill was preceded in death by his parents



Mack and Rosine Archer, brother Mack Jr., his wife Christine, and daughter-in-law Charlotte.

He is survived by his brother John, his children Bill Junior, James (Magda), Robert (Jennifer) and Becky Borden (Stu),

and many grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Bill was a devoted husband, wonderful father and grandfather, and will be greatly missed.

Services will be held at Saint Matthew's Parish, date pending.

Jolene JoAnn Archibald, 92

Jolene "JoAnn" Archibald, 92, died Nov. 23, 2022, following a brief illness.



She was a resident at the Montana Veterans Home in Columbia Falls.

JoAnn was born Aug. 7, 1930, in Radford, Virginia, to Joseph and Myrtle Montgomery. Myrtle passed away shortly following JoAnn's birth, due to complications from childbirth. Her father remarried and with JoAnn's stepmother (Sadie) raised a large, blended family with four brothers and sisters and three half brothers and half sisters during the Great Depression. JoAnn contracted polio at an early age with the ravages of the disease affecting her mobility throughout her life. She graduated from high school in Radford before moving to Washington, D.C. where she was employed by the Red Cross. There she met "Jack," a World War II Navy veteran, on a blind date. The chance encounter became a lifelong partnership lasting 65 years until his passing in 2017.

Growing a family while helping Jack pursue his life's work and passion in aviation, she moved to the Flathead Valley in 1956, working with Jack as he started a flying service at what is now Glacier Park International Airport. When Jack later began flying overseas, she began a long career with the Columbia Falls Police Department, beginning as a dispatcher in 1977 and later as chief dispatcher. Her service with the CFPD lasted nearly 30 years until her retirement in 2006 at the age of 76. JoAnn's work as a dispatcher has long been recognized within the

first responder community for her calm, effective radio skills and ability to "school" young patrolmen. A strong woman, she tackled the many challenges she faced throughout her life with determination and grit.

JoAnn was preceded in death by her parents, her beloved spouse Jack, and all her siblings, as well as her grandson Jesse Archibald and son-in-law Steve Burgh.

JoAnn is survived by her sister-in-law Peggy Utterback of Wilmington, North Carolina, brother-in-law Kenneth Archibald and his wife Jackie Archibald of Salem, Oregon, daughter "DJ" (Donna Jo) Burgh of Woodinville, Washington, son Mike Archibald and daughter-in-law Patty Archibald of Columbia Falls, Thomas Montgomery of Radford, grandchildren Jennifer Archibald of Klamath Falls, Oregon, Christopher Burgh of Marysville, Washington, Samantha Almond of Tacoma, Washington, and Riley, "TJ" and Joey Montgomery of Radford. She is also survived by several great-grandchildren, great-great-grandchildren and numerous extended family members on both coasts.

A service to honor JoAnn is scheduled for 10 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 3, at the Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls with interment to follow immediately after the service at Glacier Memorial Gardens in Kalispell. All are welcome to attend and celebrate JoAnn's life.

The family would especially like to thank the dedicated staff and caregivers of the Columbia Falls Montana Veterans Home for their compassionate and loving care.

Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls is caring for the family.

William Allen Arlint Jr., 78

William "Bill" Arlint, 78, passed away Oct. 25, 2022, with his family by his side at Logan Health, Kalispell.

Bill was born June 1, 1944, to the late Allen and Betty (Drebes) Arlint. He grew up in Ronan and Kalispell, graduating from Flathead County High School and attended Northern Montana College in Havre.

While attending college, Bill met his wife of 57 years, Linda Nelson. They were married in Havre and had two children, Chantelle and Michael.

He was employed by Hill County Electric and Triangle Telephone in Havre and then Rudyard. The family moved to Kalispell when he started working for what is now known as CenturyLink and later transferred to Gig Harbor, Washington. After leaving the telephone company the family moved back to Kalispell where Bill joined the family business, Glacier Wholesale. He retired from Glacier Wholesale but wasn't quite ready to sit back and relax. He sampled



other employment including driving for rental car companies, doing

transfers for a car dealership, and his favorite was working in his shop repairing wooden pallets.

Bill loved spending time with his family and enjoying his free time outdoors. He and Linda traveled to Maui for many years taking pleasure in the ocean, warmth of the sun and leaving winter behind for a few weeks.

Bill is survived by his wife, Linda; children, Chantelle and Michael; grandchildren, Nathan, David and Yuli, Steven, Bradley and Paige, Cooper, Mackenzie and Madison; great-grandchildren Gabriella and Leighton; sister Thelma; and brothers Tim and John.

A reception lunch for family and friends will be held at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 603 South Main Street in Kalispell, on Saturday, Nov. 12, at 1 p.m.