

Patricia Ruth Barrow Cannaday L'Allier

Patricia L'Allier ^{PAT}
passed away peacefully
in Kalispell on Saturday,
March 13, 2021.

Patricia Ruth Barrow
graced this earth on Dec.
14, 1928, the daughter
of Ruth Proud Barrow
Hewitt and Frederick
Lawrence Barrow.

Better known as Pat,
Patty, or Treash, she
always loved an advent-
ure. She explained
her name to others as
"Patricia with an 'E.'"

Pat was raised in
Kalispell by her mother,
Ruth Hewitt. Though
their small apartment in
town did not lend itself
to having all of the pets
Pat wanted, and despite
her mother's misgivings,
Pat talked a family friend
into finding her a horse.
She spent countless hours
riding her mare, Nita,
around the Flathead
Valley. Whenever ol'
Joe McGregor, a local
wrangler and guide,
would bring in a new
herd of horses to town,
Pat and her girlfriends
would sneak down to
her Grandfather Proud's
corrals and put one of
the green horses into the
chute. One by one, each
would climb aboard, open
the gate and hope for the
best during their own pri-
vate rodeos. When asked
years later whose idea
this was, Pat proudly stat-
ed, "mine."

In the kind of strik-
ing contrast that defined
Pat's personality, she also
studied ballet and became
quite an accomplished
dancer during her teens.
Along with her dance
partners, Dick and Don
Walters, she performed
many times at the Stand
theatre. She would literal-
ly perform as a ballerina
one day and then ride
bronses the next.



Paul
worked
at the
Handford
Nuclear
Project.
While
there,
daughter

Sheri was born in 1953
and soon after, they
packed up for Kalispell
where Paul took a job
at Anaconda Aluminum
Company. Son Greg came
along in 1955, followed by
another daughter, Kirby
in 1959.

When her family even-
tually moved to the rural
east side of Kalispell, Pat
was able to have the acre-
age necessary to have the
horses and other animals
she had loved so much
throughout her lifetime.
She passed on her love
of horses to her girls,
though for Greg, not so
much, as he was the one
who got to haul their hay
every year! Pat's veteri-
narian skills ultimately
proved helpful for the
many pets her kids accu-
mulated, as she doctored
and nursed back to health
birds, hawks, horses, cats,
dogs, squirrels, and even
a skunk one time.

Pat was a proud
Montanan and loved her
state's mountains, lakes,
and rivers. She was nick-
named "Pat single shot"
when she shot a trophy
buck that still holds the
family record today. Pat
had numerous encounters
with wildlife including a
moose and multiple bears.
After her kids had some
close encounters with
a particularly trouble-
some bear one summer,
Pat had had enough and
took matters into her
own hands, shooting
and killing the problem
bear. Never one to waste
any meat, she took the
carcass home and as
her female neighbors in
their dresses and heels
watched in amazement,
she skinned, cut up and
preserved the meat to
feed her family during
the following months.

Pat and Paul later
divorced and in 1980 she
married her high school
friend, Chuck L'Allier.
They moved to Whitefish
and together ran a suc-
cessful property manage-
ment business until their
retirement. Pat and Chuck
loved their time at her
family's lake place in the
summers and spent win-
ters in Washington, Utah.
Pat always had a love
for art and her creative
side came out when she
started painting her own
watercolor landscapes for
her family and friends.

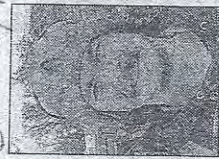
Pat was a beloved
daughter, wife, mother,
grandmother, great-grand-
mother, and friend to all.
Her kind heart and spirit
were always uplifting.
She was an avid storytell-
er and had countless stor-
ies to tell, often weaving
in suspenseful moments
along with her wonder-
ful sense of humor. Pat
was loving to all of those
around her and she will
be greatly missed.

Pat was preceded in
death by her mother,
Ruth, in 1985; stepfather
Henry "Hank" Hewitt
in 1982; son-in-law Rod
Campbell in 1993; and her
husband Chuck in 2007.

Patricia L'Allier
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Clayton Thomas LaChance

Patricia L'Allier
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Clayton LaChance knew him with bountiful memories of his laughter, good times and his epic sense of humor. Clayton's smile and big heart lit up rooms and lives. He will be greatly missed by everyone who knew him.

Clayton LaChance is survived by his parents Tom and Cindy LaChance, sister Alissa LaChance (Phil Sharrow), Sabrina LaChance, grandmothers Betty Monzingo and Ruth LaChance, fur babies Harvey and Truman, extended family and many close friends he considered family.

In death, as in life, Clayton was a giver. He continued to give, having made the choice to be an organ donor.

A celebration of life will be held on Saturday, Nov. 13, at 204 Wisconsin Avenue in Whitefish, 3 to 6 p.m.

In loving memory of Clayton, the family asks that you consider a donation to the Nate Chute Foundation, an organization dedicated to suicide prevention in Northwest Montana, or LifeCenter Northwest, an organization assisting families through the organ donation process: Nate Chute Foundation, P.O. Box 245; Whitefish, Montana 59937; LifeCenter Northwest, 3650 131st Ave. SE, Suite 200, Bellevue, WA 98006.

Clayton began on a snowy morning in March. As his parents left for the hospital, a mountain lion crossed the path of the car as they headed to the hospital in Whitefish.

Clayton Thomas LaChance was born March 6, 1991, to Tom and Cindy LaChance, and passed away Nov. 5, 2021.

He was a gentle soul with a contagious smile and a giving spirit. He grew up in the shadow of Big Mountain and spent his childhood living mountain life: skiing, snowboarding and boating on Whitefish Lake.

Outdoor life brought him both inspiration and solace, as it does for many in the Flathead Valley. But Clayton's enduring passion was music. He loved music and the camaraderie and joy it brought to his life. He attended many music festivals and concerts around the country and especially loved the band Ween. Live music fueled his soul, and he loved sharing that passion with everyone he met.

Pat was also a talented student and received high honors, graduating from Flathead High in 1947. The fall after she graduated, she packed her bags and headed for Pullman, Washington, to study Veterinary Medicine at what was then Washington State College. Sadly, her dream of becoming a vet was dashed when the women students were told they could not finish medical school unless they were third year students due to the number of returning veterans.

On Aug. 11, 1951, Pat married Paul Cannaday, a young engineer working on the Hungry Horse Dam. They moved briefly to the Tri-Cities while

She loved backcountry trips to the Bob Marshall Wilderness with her friends, where many more adventures and shenanigans played out on horseback. She loved to travel and took many trips with her girlfriends to Hawaii, to Europe with her relatives the Somervilles, and on cruises with Cousin Bobby. Pat worked for many years for Tom Little at Snowline Tree Company and later started her own bookkeeping business.

She is survived by daughters: Sheri (Don) Anderson from Kila; and Kirby (Ron) Campbell-Rierson, currently living in Cambodia; and her son, Greg (Marie) Cannaday of Kalispell. She is also survived by her cherished grandchildren and great-grandchildren: Ian (Courtney) Anderson and daughter, Raimie, of Spokane; Isaac (Dawn Ann) Anderson and sons; Slade and Trace of Kalispell; Elise (Phil) Moodie and daughters; Annsyn and Audrey, of Great Falls; Kaleb Cannaday of Missoula; Chad Campbell of Kalispell; Corey (Brittany) Campbell and daughter Keeley of Missoula; her close friend and former husband, Paul Cannaday, of Kalispell; close family members Roger, Melissa, and Gracia Somerville of Lakeside; and Sue and Geoff Young of Australia.

Pat's children think that the following popular Ed Sheeran lyrics define their mom: "A heart that is broke is a heart that has been loved. You were an angel in the shape of my mom."

Johnson Mortuary is caring for Pat's family and a service will be held this summer, the date for which the family will announce in the future.

Robert 'Bob' E. LaStofka, 92

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Robert "Bob" E. LaStofka, 92, went home to the Lord on Aug. 8, 2021, in Kalispell. He passed away peacefully in his sleep with grace and dignity.

Bob was born in Iola, Wisconsin, on Dec. 24, 1928, to Ben and Bertina (Severson) LaStofka. He was the second of three children.

His early years were busy helping with the family farm in Iola. He often talked about having to collect the eggs (and sometimes dropping them) and the so-called tame skunks he and his brother, Dave, caught and kept in a pen out back. Bob attended grade school and graduated high school in 1946 in Iola.

After graduating high school Bob joined the Army for four years. While stationed in Okinawa, Japan, he contracted hepatitis B and spent many months on the hospital ship and in Minnesota recuperating. While stationed on the East Coast, he met the love of his life, MaryLou Hodgson, in Passaic, New Jersey, and spent any day he had leave hitchhiking between the base and Passaic to visit and woo MaryLou. Bob and MaryLou were married on May 26, 1951, and even



though MaryLou has been gone for almost seven years, Bob will tell anyone that he is still married and his ring has not left

his hand since it was put on.

Bob and MaryLou traveled around the country while Bob was in the service. When Bob was discharged from the Army he joined the family partnership in an Iola mink ranch called Wau-Wis Fur Farm. For the next several years Bob and MaryLou traveled back and forth between Iola and Kalispell, finally settling in Kalispell.

Bob and MaryLou went on to have four children. Bob and MaryLou spent their early years in Kalispell moving around the area while he worked road construction. Bob gave up the construction work and then went to work at the Rainbow Texaco for many years, also worked for C&C; Plywood, and was a heavy equipment mechanic for both the city of Kalispell and Flathead County, where he retired

from, due to a back injury. Bob also helped MaryLou's parents (Mark and Dorothy (Jacquette) Hodgson) on their farm in Columbia Falls and took over the farming as Mark aged.

Bob had little free time between farming and working a full-time job, but when he did have time off he loved to gold pan all around the valley. He even owned his own gold mine, "Lil Annie," for several years. He enjoyed camping and fishing in his earlier years, and we all have fond memories of our camping vacations. Bob was a jack-of-all-trades and was always working on some project at the farm or around the house that needed doing.

Bob was active in the Bethlehem Lutheran Church as an usher, and both he and MaryLou enjoyed their time preparing the weekly service bulletins.

Bob was preceded in death by his parents, Ben and Bertina LaStofka, his mother and father-in-law, Mark and Dorothy Hodgson, his loving wife MaryLou, his grandson Jon Lee Swinehart, his brother Dave LaStofka, his brother-in-law Jack Halverson, his nephew Scott Halverson, and his brother-in-law Paul

Hodgson.

Bob is survived by his four children, Connie LaStofka-Lakes (Roger) of Hamilton, Ohio, Robin Carson of Kalispell, Mark LaStofka (Tina) of White-Salmon, Washington, and Julie Hindahl of Kalispell; his granddaughter, Mindi Morhardt; his sister Ruth Halverson and sister-in-law Irene LaStofka, both in Iola; and sister-in-law, Corrine Adomian, of Athens, Georgia. Bob also leaves 12 grandchildren, 23 great-grandchildren, 18 great-great-grandchildren, and numerous nieces and nephews. Bob lived a long, full life, but he will be leaving a very large hole in our lives.

The funeral service for Bob LaStofka will be held at the Bethlehem Lutheran Church at 1 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 17, in Kalispell with Pastor Scott Thompson officiating. Graveside rites will be held at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery following the service.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for Bob's family.

Paul G. Landis, 83

Paul Gotwals Landis, 83 years old, was born in August of 1938 to Wilmer Meyers Landis and Lorraine Schueck Gotwals in Elroy, Pennsylvania. He died Sunday, Aug. 29, 2021, at Logan Health in Kalispell.

His early education was done in Pennsylvania for the first eight years, after which the family moved to Virginia. He completed the remainder of his early, formal education at Eastern Mennonite High School and Eastern Mennonite College, where he received his Bachelor of Arts in Education degree. While there, he met Suzanne Schlosser Christophel and they were married in June of 1960. To this union were born four children, Gretchen, Heidi, Krista and Philip. Paul, Suzanne and family lived and worked at Sandy Lake in Northern Alberta for six years with Mennonite Missions in a Voluntary Service Unit where he taught school, was radio operator for the unit's minimal air traffic and contact with other units in Northern Alberta, and worked as maintenance man for the school and mission buildings.

Following this stint, they moved to Edmonton, Alberta, where he pursued a Master of English Education degree. During this time, he was led to see his talents for the ministry, so their next move was to Harrisonburg, Virginia, so he could attend Eastern Mennonite Seminary and complete his Master of Divinity

degree. He accepted an associate pastor's position at Pleasant View Mennonite Church near Goshen, Indiana, where their son, Philip, was born. His next call was to West Zion Mennonite Church near Carstairs, Alberta, where they lived and worked for five years. The next move was to Calgary, Alberta, to teach again. When this job closed, he was principal at Demarais, Alberta, for one year, but the 10-hour drives one way from Calgary and back got to be too much, especially during the winter months. He was a great provider for his family, when he was out of work at all, it was not long before he had another job. Some of these years were spent working on a hog and chicken farm near Carstairs. Later on, he worked with and pastored a group of Laotian believers in Calgary and their hearts became tightly knit together as he officiated at their weddings, baptisms, funerals and took part in their wonderful potlucks.

He and Suzanne divorced in 1995 and, in the interim, he memorized the whole Gospel of Mark so "I would stay in a positive place in the midst of such turmoil and unrest." In December of 1997, he married Edie Kauffman of Kalispell and they made their home on the farm where he worked. He continued working on the farm, and with his Laotian friends and their community in Calgary on weekends. When he retired from the

farm work, he and Edie moved to Montana where they became active once more in the Mountain View Mennonite Church near Creston. Here he attended until his death, taking part in worship, teaching Sunday school and filling the pulpit betimes when the minister had to be gone.

Paul loved to study various subjects, but especially the Bible. He was a very apt teacher and his illustrations during any talks he gave gave deeper understanding to those listening. He corrected Bible study lessons of prisoners for the Gospel Echoes Prison Ministries and was always reaching out to others anywhere he went to tell them of Jesus' love and kindness toward them, inviting them to accept Jesus to be their Savior in order to have a place with God when came their time to leave this life. He had some pretty quirky taste combinations when it came to food and loved to have sweet and salty tastes together. This made for some pretty funny raised eyebrows during mealtimes with his family, but they learned he "ate to live, not the other way around." (quote-unquote) His love of chess and Scrabble made him a formidable player at either, so if someone bested him, it was a feat of

honor for them.

Paul was preceded in death by his parents, Wilmer and Lorraine Landis, his daughter, Gretchen and a grandson, Nicholas Morgan.

He is survived by his wife, Edie Kauffman-Landis, of Kalispell; daughters, Heidi Christophel of Red Deer, Alberta, and Krista McGinn of Kitchener, Ontario, and his son, Philip of Calgary; brothers, Earl and wife Annie of Akron, Pennsylvania, and James and wife Doris of Waynesboro, Georgia; sisters, Darlene and Charles Saunders of Fuquay-Varina, North Carolina, Sara Ann and Robert Kane of Stark City, Missouri, and Christine and Marlin Burkholder of Linville, Virginia. His surviving grandchildren are Tatyana Morgan, Jessica Guenter, Rebecca McGinn, Gordon McGinn and Cranmer McGinn.

Johnson-Gloschat Mortuary is caring for the family.

Cremation has taken place and Paul's ashes will be scattered at a later date by family.

Memorials can be made to Gospel Echoes Prison Ministry based in Tangent, Oregon/gospel-echoes.com for which he corrected prisoners' Bible study lessons for many years.

Thomas S. 'Tom' LaValley, 90

Thomas S. "Tom" LaValley, 90, died at his home on Monday, June 28, 2021.

He is survived by his wife Dixie, and children Tommy LaValley, David LaValley, Danny LaValley, Geri Penland, Myrna Lamb, Lonnie Fisher and Clara Craft.

No services are planned for Tom at this time. Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls is caring for the family.

Frances "Fran" Berlove Lantieri, 98

Frances "Fran" Berlove Lantieri passed away peacefully on Aug. 27, 2021, at 98 1/2 years in Columbia Falls.



She was the daughter of Sarah and Edward Rosen of Schenectady, New York, born on Jan. 19, 1928. Fran had two brothers, Irving and Hal Rosen, who both predeceased her. She was a popular student with an active social life and lots of young men showing interest in the dark-eyed young woman with beautiful hair. She met her future husband, Donald L. Berlove, on a blind date and they were married shortly thereafter for 40 years until Donald's untimely death.

The family relocated to Santa Barbara, California, in 1965 where she enjoyed the laid-back California lifestyle at the beach. She found her dream job as assistant to the Dean of Student Activities at Santa Barbara City College for 25 years. She loved her work, the constant activities and ongoing interaction with the students.

She was an avid golfer, bowler and loved playing mahjong and cards with her friends. Fran was active in Hadassah and Sisterhood and loved entertaining family and friends. Five years after her first husband passed, she met her second husband, Albert Lantieri, an actor and choreographer. During their 13-year marriage they divided their time between their

homes in Palm Springs and Santa Barbara, while traveling extensively worldwide. They were often surrounded by friends from the acting community, including dancers and singers and there were always lively times at their homes.

Upon her second husband's death she moved to the Wellington in Southern California where she made many friends, participated in numerous musicals and shows while spending her days enjoying her favorite pastime — swimming.

"She walked in beauty" was a prominent theme in Fran's life, from her stylish clothing to her beautiful jewelry and perfect coiffure, she was always surrounded by beautiful and tasteful things.

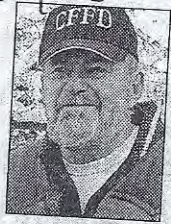
Fran is survived by her three children, Sanford Berlove, Lena Berlove and Patti Singer; six grandchildren, Lars Lynch Berlove, Gabriel Lynch, Carly Israel, Danielle Molinari, Casey Schneider and Julian Berlove; and nine great-grandchildren, Sarai, Mayka, Peter, Tallin, Gael, Mays, Desmond, Astrid and Flynn.

A private funeral was held on Aug. 30th in Columbia Falls.

Ronald Joseph Landwehr, 77

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Ronald Joseph Landwehr passed away at his home in Columbia Falls on July 17, 2021.

He was born Nov. 6, 1943, in Los Angeles (war baby) to Russel Joseph Landwehr and Lorine (Hehmke) Landwehr.



He joined the Columbia Falls Volunteer Fire Department in 1975 and retired after his 20 years in 1995.



He helped

with the Young Fire Starter Program through most of the 20 years. He was a life member of the N.R.A. and the Knights of Columbus.

Ron is survived by his wife of 51 years, Lonna Landwehr, son Donald Landwehr, daughter Heidi Cunningham, and two grandchildren, Riley Landwehr and Courtney Luepkes.

There will be a funeral service held at St. Richard Catholic Church of Columbia Falls on Saturday, July 24, at 10 a.m. and a reception to follow at noon at the home of Ron and Lonna.

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

After World War II he lived with his grandparents on a farm outside of Grandview, Washington, until he was 7 years old. His family moved to Williston, North Dakota and graduated from Williston High School and took two years of college at the Extension Center. He joined the Army in 1965 and spent three years in overseas duty.

Ron met the love of his life in the spring of 1968 and Lonna Daniels became his loving wife in the fall of 1969 at St. Richard Catholic Church in Columbia Falls.

He was employed at Plum Creek for 33 years as a welder, oiler, machinist, and the last 10 years of his career as a millwright for Plum Creek M.D.F.

Douglas Keith Langel, 89

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Douglas Keith Langel, 89, of Kalispell formerly Rudyard, passed away in his home



on Oct. 14, 2021. Doug had recently been admitted to in-home hospice care and left the world knowing how much he was loved.

Doug, son of Theodore "Ted" and Evelyn "Netes" Langel was born on Oct. 18, 1931, in Havre. Doug attended and graduated from Rudyard High School in 1949. After high school Doug furthered his education in the fields of agriculture, mechanics, and aviation.

He married Margaret Heidema on Sept. 27, 1976, and they lived in Rudyard until 2009 when they took up full time residence in the Flathead.

Doug was very mechanically inclined and could often be found tinkering in his shop, "The Rudyard Auto Clinic," during all hours of the day. Additionally, he owned the family farm north of Rudyard that he actively worked until his "retirement" in the late 2000s. Doug also had a passion for aviation and would pilot weekend trips with his friends to various destinations in his 20s

and 30s. Doug may best be known for his love of the Ford Model T, for the Model T was both his first and his last car! An avid member of the Montana Cross Country Model T Association, Doug drove in the Montana-500 Model T race countless times throughout his life, winning the 2003 Bozeman race. Doug enjoyed spending time at his cabin in Glacier National Park where he and his family would go to unwind in nature, boat on Lake McDonald, and drive the Going to the Sun Road in the Model T.

He is survived by his son, Brandon Langel of Whitefish; cousins, Stan and Willa Rae Langel of Rudyard; and numerous other relations.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Margaret Langel, and brother, Donald Langel.

Services will be held at New Beginnings Lutheran Church in Rudyard on Friday Oct. 22 at 10 a.m. Burial to follow at the Rudyard Cemetery. Please join friends and family for a luncheon at the church after.

The family asks that any memorials be sent to the Depot Museum in Rudyard.

Condolences can be made to Doug's memorial page at www.asperfh.com.

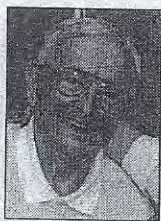
Hollister A. Larson, 98

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An icon of the community, Hollister "Holly" Alexander Larson, passed away as he danced into heaven on March 26, 2021, at the age of 98 at the family home in Kalispell. This Kalispell legend always considered himself a young man because he had not yet reached 100 years of age. Hearing about his passing, many of his friends and family have since proclaimed it is the end of an era.

Holly, as he was known by throughout his life, was born on Aug. 20, 1922, in Kalispell, the youngest child of Norwegian logging immigrant Hans Fredrik Cornelius and Alma Helmina (Johnson) Larson. Born during the Depression, Holly spent his early youth picking rocks off logging roads. He rode the log jams from Dayton, Montana, to the Somers Lumber Company — fishing along the way. During the Depression, young Holly lived at Lake Mary Ronan with his grandfather TJ Johnson. He spent his time protecting his father's logging camp from the many transients passing through. They lived off potatoes and fish. Fish continued to be his favorite culinary delight throughout his life.

Holly attended Central School in Kalispell. He graduated from Flathead County High School in 1940. He excelled in mathematics, girls, basketball and dancing. During high school he dated his best friend's sister, Jean Evans, whom he later married in 1944. He drove a red convertible during his high school years that was his "chick magnet." After high school he moved to Los Angeles with three of his high school friends and began working at Lockheed Air assembling P-38s. These young men remained friends throughout their lives and eventually all moved back to the Flathead.



C-47s and flew needed supplies to his air base in Okinawa. Due to his level of skill, he was assigned to transporting generals to their posts. On one occasion he flew through the eye of a cyclone, transporting a top brass to

safety. The general personally shook his hand and gave Hollister his thanks for safe passage. He crisscrossed the Pacific, flying many dangerous missions, answering the call of duty. He always said the bombs at Hiroshima and Nagasaki saved his life and the lives of men with whom he served. Holly was most proud of being a World War II pilot and captain of a C-47 as well as his service to his country. He was equally proud of his Viking heritage and his Norwegian family roots.

The Larson family established logging businesses that have made a positive impact on the logging and timber industry as well as the economy of Northwest Montana. Holly founded Royal Logging Company, which was at one time one of the largest independent logging companies in the United States and was vice-president of Plum Creek Timber. He was a partner in the American Timber Company started by his father. He was president and owner of Mountain Manufacturing Company, which built and shipped wheel skidders internationally, which was new technology at that time in history. Often working behind the scenes, he pro-

Northwest to the Senate Energy Committee hearings by lobbying in Washington, D.C. He hosted politicians and Forest Service policy makers educating them about Montana's successful forest management practices through on-site tours in Northwest Montana. He traveled to Japan and Germany and brought back the latest innovative strategies and practices to be able to establish the plywood and particle board plants in Columbia Falls creating new jobs in the Flathead.

He enjoyed servicing as the "captain" of the Rough & Tumble, a 36-foot Stancraft boat owned by Plum Creek Timber and he escorted many dignitaries, political figures, lumber men and international guests coming to the Flathead Valley on tours of the Hungry Horse Dam and Flathead Lake.

Holly and his CPA business partner, J. Austin Miller, developed several housing projects together. Northridge Heights was the first of such projects followed by Craigmoor on Flathead Lake. Holly and Francis Bitney later developed the Many Lakes Neighborhood in the Creston area. He built the First & Main Building in downtown Kalispell and founded Title Guarantee Company.

Holly's father, Hans Larson, donated Flathead Lake property to Bethlehem Lutheran Church designated for the Flathead Lutheran Bible Camp. Holly and his sister Adeline expanded the family's philanthropic vision over the years donating more lake front property to the camp.

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Hollister A. Larson

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In 1941, Holly enlisted in the Army Air-Corps at Butte to become a pilot. He was stationed at many training sites in the U.S., including North Carolina, California, Colorado, Washington and Texas. He completed the Army Air Corps College Training School at the State College of Washington in Pullman. He completed his Basic Training at Lemoore Army Air Field. As one of the longest living World War II pilots in the United States, he flew B-13s, AT-10s, and AT-17s. He flew single and multi-engine aircraft transitioning to Transports and Bombers. Throughout World War II, Holly flew

vided seed money to assist community members who were starting new businesses that supported the logging and timber industry.

He was essential in developing a pre-trade agreement with Canada that assisted local sawmills in obtaining a viable log source. He was a leader in the Montana Loggers Association and the Timber Products Manufacturers Association.

When he retired from Plum Creek, he worked for Western Forest Industries Association representing independent sawmills and over 200,000 forest related jobs throughout the Pacific

Holly served on the following state and national committees: Montana Chamber of Commerce, Governors' Industrial Development Committee, Montana Nature Areas Advisory Council, National American Lumber Standards Committee, Western Forest Industries Association where he also served as president. He served on the University of Montana Council of 50, and the Advisory Council of the School of Business Administration.

He was a charter member of the Grizzly Riders International for the University of Montana and well into his 80s participated in every annual "ride" except the inaugural ride. He loved Montana and promoted it throughout his life. He called it Camelot.

He was the oldest continuous living member of the Kalispell Rotary

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Club involved for over 56 years and recently was presented with the Paul Harris Foundation Award. In prior years he competed on the Rotary curling team that played in Canada. He was the oldest living member of the Northwest Montana Hoo-Hoo 187 Club where he was awarded the Woodpecker of the Year award in 1985. Thursday nights found Holly at the Buffalo Hills Golf Course playing on a league team. For 71 years he was a member of the Elks Club. He also was engaged in the Eagles, and Sons of Norway.

Together he and Clyde Smith founded the Advanced Life Support Emergency Rescue Team (A.L.E.R.T.) where he served on the board since its inception. He was passionate about saving the lives of loggers who were injured.

grandchildren felt that he believed in them and made them feel like they were the most important persons in the world.

Holly was preceded in death by his high school sweet heart, dance partner, and loving wife of 52 years, Jean Elizabeth "Betty Jean" Larson. They celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in 1994 at a gala event held at the Outlaw Inn.

Holly leaves a legacy of love and many memories of an amazing man with a life well lived to his sons, Thomas (wife Kathy) Larson, David (wife Michelle) Larson; and his daughter Holly Jean Larson, all of the Flathead Valley. He cherished his grandchildren, Hollister (his namesake) Jay Larson of Kalispell, Kymberly Larson of Mexico/Spokane, Eric Larson of Kalispell, Jeff (wife Lisa) Larson of New Jersey, and Courtney Larson of Vancouver, and Tessa Kiesz of New

of any party with a genuine sense of humor that included playing elaborate practical jokes on his family and friends that were often "paid back" full fold. He was full of life and energy right up to his last day on earth.

Because of his quick wit and charisma Hollister was asked to emcee a wide variety of events throughout his life.

Known as a colorful character, he treated everyone equally and didn't judge anyone. He was upbeat, loved life to the fullest, and danced at every opportunity — even at home. He loved jazz and the Big Band era music. He enjoyed playing golf, traveling, a good glass of wine, dancing with women who also loved to dance, and annually hunting pheasants in Eastern Montana. He made people laugh and feel good about themselves. He was truly part of "the greatest generation."

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Hollister A Larson

Holly was recently a special guest of honor at the sendoff gala of the Museum of Mountain Flying for the Miss Montana to Normandy fund raising event held in Missoula. He was one of three World War II veterans in Montana honored at this event.

Holly annually supported many charitable organizations including Ducks Unlimited, Pheasants Forever, Kalispell Exchange Club, ALERT, FVCC, Alpine Theatre Project, Hoo Hoo Club, Elks, Rotary, Montana Logging Association, and Flathead County Deputy Sheriff Association. He was an annual sponsor of the Flathead Jazz Festival. He made donations to many causes that impacted the quality of life in the Flathead Valley. He was raised in the Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Kalispell where he supported faith-based programs throughout his life. He had a generous heart for helping other people succeed and enjoyed seeing people better themselves. Through the Special Friends Advocacy Program, he touched the lives of persons with disabilities spending time with them and helping them learn skills that they might not otherwise have learned.

Holly treasured spending time with his family, children, grandchildren, and many friends. In his mind there not a better place to live than the Flathead Valley. No matter how busy he was, he made time for his family, dancing with his granddaughters, tinkering and fixing things in the garage and creating innovative ways to repair things with his grandsons. His

York. His great-grandchildren include Kiley (wife Ashley) Poole of Spokane, Ashley Arden Elizabeth Poole of Spokane, Abigail and Audrey Larson of New Jersey, and Ayomide and Simisola Ademousu of Vancouver. He is also survived by cousins L. Peter (wife Sallie) Larson and Kurt (wife Carol) Larson of Kalispell, Dick (wife Dorothy) Thomas and Robert Tillman (Buzzie) Thomas of Florida and Robert Sparling of Tacoma, Washington, as well as Sandra Rosetti of Kalispell and the mother of his first three grandchildren Sherry Stevens (husband Doug Houtz) of Kalispell.

Holly had a big personality but could be gentle and caring. His family members say that he didn't get cheated out of one minute of his life. All of his grandchildren say it's hard to imagine a world without him in it. The impact on their lives and the community will be felt for generations. He was known as the life

His daughter Holly Jean and his grandson Holly Jay who provided care for Hollister during the last years of his life made up "the 3 Holly's" as they were fondly known when they were together. Holly Jean cared for her father for over 25 years.

Memorial
Contributions may be made to the ALERT - Advanced Life-Support Emergency Rescue Team at 310 Sunnyview Lane, Kalispell, MT in honor of Hollister's dedication and service to the mission of ALERT; or the University of Montana Grizzly Riders International Memorial Fund, P.O. Box 3176 Missoula, MT 59808-3176.

Due to COVID-19, a private graveside service and celebration of Hollister's life will be held at the C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery for family and close friends on Tuesday, April 6, at 2 p.m.

If you listen carefully you can hear Holly singing ... "Off we go into the wild blue yonder."

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Margaret Ann Larson, 79

Margaret Ann Larson passed away Jan. 31, 2021.

Margaret Ann Foley was born in Butte May 12, 1941, to Edward J. Foley and Mary Ruth Sullivan Foley. She was the oldest daughter of six siblings. She graduated from Girls Central High School, Butte, in 1959. After high school she moved to Kalispell where she worked for Valley Bank.

Marge married Ronald Joseph Slama in 1962, Kalispell and from this marriage they were blessed with their children, David Joseph and Mary Ruth.

After her husband Ronnie passed away in 1971, Marge moved her young family to Missoula to continue her long career in the banking industry, starting at First National Bank and continuing on until her 2001 retirement from First Interstate Bank. During her extensive working career, Marge developed a large circle of friends that reached near and far; she was a loyal friend to all over the years.

Marge met Burnell C. Larson, and in 1986 they were married in Missoula. For over 30 years she and Bernie enjoyed cheering on all Grizzly Athletic sports, spending time at their



home on Bitterroot Lake and being snowbirds in Mesa Arizona, before Bernie's

passing in 2017.

Marge is survived by her children and grandchildren, David and Lisa Slama (Hudson and Haden Smith), and Mary and Brent Rehm (Brandon and Morgan).

Marge is also survived by her sisters, Eleanor Hauck and Diane Maloney, and brother John Foley; along with many nieces and nephews she truly adored.

She was preceded in death by her husbands, Ronnie and Bernie, sister Lorraine, and oldest brother Ed Foley.

No services are planned at this time. A celebration of life will be planned for a later date.

Memorials can be made to the Grizzly Athletic Association or the Butte Central Foundation.

We would like to thank the doctors and nurses at Providence St. Patrick Hospital in Missoula for the excellent care that was given to Marge.

It was never a dull moment with Marge!

Justin David Lasater, 47

Justin David Lasater, 47, a lifelong resident of Kalispell, died



Saturday, Oct. 23, 2021, after a brief illness in Logan Health Medical Center.

Justin was born Dec. 29, 1973, the son of Edwin and Janet Lasater. He graduated from Flathead High School in 1992.

Justin is survived by his wife Amber, the light of his life daughter Madison, his father Edwin Lasater, his sister Jesse Keller and husband Kris, aunt Sandra Rosetti, aunt and uncle Olivia and Jim Pauli, cousin Jamie Lyman and husband Tom and son Collin, many extended family members and many friends.

Justin was predeceased by his mother, Janet, in 2019.

Justin's work involved extensive travel resulting in friendships all over the country. He was a loving husband and devoted father who shared his love of the outdoors with his family teaching his daugh-

ter hunting, fishing, boating, skiing and numerous other skills. His death on opening day of hunting season will be forever etched in our hearts.

The family would like to thank the staff at Logan ICU for their kindness and care during Justin's illness.

A celebration of Justin's life will be held at the Holst residence on Saturday, Nov. 6, from 1 to 5 p.m. with a bonfire to honor his life and share favorite memories.

Thomas G. Larson, 80

Thomas G. Larson, 80, died on June 11, 2021, at The HealthCenter.

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

Richard LeRoy Lau, 79

Richard LeRoy Lau, 79, beloved husband, father and friend, passed away on Oct. 21, 2021, in Kalispell.

LeRoy was born on Aug. 10, 1942, in Polson to Richard and Beatrice Lau (Johnson). After LeRoy graduated from Polson High School, he entered the Navy. After the Navy, LeRoy began work at AT&T, starting a 32-year career.

In 1968, LeRoy married Charlotte Kilday in Seattle. They celebrated their 53rd anniversary this past January.

A Vietnam veteran, LeRoy served aboard the USS Coontz. He was an active member of the USS Coontz Association and looked forward to the reunion with his shipmates each year.

LeRoy was very active in Freemasonry, particularly the York Rite and Shriners, and was the Secretary for Bigfork Lodge no.150, AF&AM.; He was recognized in 2014 as the Secretary of the Year at Grand Lodge in Helena.

LeRoy was a longtime resident of Lakeside and took enormous pride in his chosen hometown. Well known and liked, he dearly loved his friends and neighbors. He was an active member of the Lakeside Community Chapel. He generously volunteered his time to his community through the church and the Freemasons.

Anyone who knew LeRoy was touched by his kindness and humor,



and he was always first to lend a helping hand. He lived a life of selfless service and will be sorely missed

by those whose lives he touched.

LeRoy was preceded in death by his parents Richard and Beatrice, his stepmother Emily Lau, and his sister Carol Lau.

LeRoy is survived by his loving wife, Charlotte, his sister Kathy Bertram, his brother Russell Gardipe, his son Robert Lau (Beth), daughter Stacey March, granddaughters Samantha Lau, Shaylin March and Tierney March, grandson Logan March, a large extended family, and an abundance of friends.

A celebration of LeRoy's life will be held at some time in the future.

Contributions in memory of LeRoy may be made to the church at: Lakeside Community Chapel, P.O. Box 162, Lakeside, MT 59922. Messages of condolences may be shared with the family at www.lakefuneralhomeandcremation.com.

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

Falls Lions Club. Volunteering in his community was important to him.

Dave is survived by his life partner, Karen Ulmer; his parents, Don and Barbara Lawrence; his sister, Rebecca Bekkedahl; and his daughter, Sandra Mallis (Nick). He will also be missed by his large extended family including aunts, cousins, nieces, nephews and grandchildren.

There will be a celebration of life for Dave on Saturday, June 12, at the Don Lawrence Amphitheater in Marquette Park in Columbia Falls from 3 to 5 p.m.

David K. Lawrence, 64

Dave was an active member of the Flathead Valley music community. He performed with many local musical organizations, including Flathead Valley Community Band, Glacier Symphony Orchestra, Bavarian Echoes, Bierstube Orchestra and Cocinando. He was a member of the Don Lawrence Orchestra for over 30 years and took over running the band in 2010. He was passionate about music and never turned down an opportunity to play.

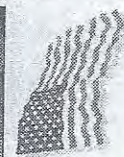
Dave loved animals, the great outdoors, cooking and playing with his grandchildren. In recent years he had become a member of the Columbia

Jazz Band. After leaving the Air Force, Dave spent some time living and working in Texas, but missed Montana and returned to the Flathead Valley.

Over his lifetime, Dave worked at several different jobs. He was most proud of the 30 years he spent working on Big Mountain. He truly enjoyed his time there and delighted in taking visitors on tours of "his mountain."

David K. Lawrence passed away peacefully at home on Sept. 2, 2020, surrounded by loved ones.

Dave was born in Missoula on Aug. 10, 1956, to Don and Barbara (Knetch) Lawrence. When Dave was very young, the family moved to Columbia Falls. There he grew up and graduated from Columbia Falls High School in 1974. After high school graduation, Dave joined the Air Force as a member of the NORAD Band in Colorado Springs, Colorado. He played in the concert band and several small groups, though he found the most joy playing lead trombone for the NORAD Commanders



Barbara Ann Lawrence, 89

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Barbara Ann Lawrence passed away on Oct. 19, 2021.

Barbara was born in Paris, Texas, on Sept. 19, 1932, the only child of Karl and Lucile Knecht. Left to her own devices as a child, Barbara would fix her breakfast and get herself to the Catholic elementary school she attended. She graduated from Longview High School and then earned a nursing certificate from Parkland Hospital in Dallas.

Barbara loved Big Band music and in 1952 she met trombone player Don Lawrence. Their first date was to a Billy May concert. Barbara was so excited about going to the concert that she neglected to tell Don that she had her appendix removed just two days earlier. They were married six weeks later on Dec. 29, 1952. They remained married for 69 years until Barbara's death. Barbara and Don moved to Missoula where their first child, son David, was born in 1956. In 1959 Don took a job teaching music in Columbia Falls and there they have remained ever since. The family



was complete when daughter Rebecca "Becky" was born in November 1961.

Barbara loved being a stay-at-home mom and raising her kids. She loved animals and working in the yard. She endured much teasing from the family every spring when she meticulously plucked every maple seed out of the garden. She liked to cook, and made the best German potato salad on the planet.

Barbara was a member of the United Methodist Church. She was also an active member and past president of the BI, P.E.O. Chapter.

In 1980 Don took a one year job teaching in Germany. Don and Barbara loved being in Germany and when Don retired they went back many times with Don's brother Paul and his wife, also a Barbara.

"The Barbara's," as everyone called them, had the same middle name and the same birth-

day. The two of them danced together at every Oktoberfest while their husband's played in the band. Their favorite dance was a schottische.

Barbara loved music and dancing. She took tap dancing lessons and she was a dedicated member of the Columbia Falls Community Choir — the kind that goes home and practices! She was always supportive of Don in his pursuit of music. He credits her with his musical success and says he could not have done it without her.

Barbara was preceded in death by her son David, and her son-in-law Randy Bekkedahl.

She is survived by her husband Don, and their daughter Rebecca.

There will be a visitation at the United Methodist Church at 1017 2nd St. W. in Columbia Falls on Friday, Nov. 5, from 5 to 7 p.m. A memorial will be held at Columbia Mortuary at 1010 4th Ave. W. in Columbia Falls on Saturday, Nov. 6th at 2 p.m.

Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls is caring for the family.

Leona Lebel, 82

Leona Lebel, 82, of Kalispell, died Saturday July 24, 2021.

She is survived by her daughter Jacqui Lebel Haig.

A private service will

be held at a later date in Las Vegas.

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

Carolyn D. Settle-Lee, 77

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Born to Tom and Eileen Close in Glendale, California, Feb. 19, 1944, Carolyn was the oldest of four girls. While she appreciated pretty things and getting dressed up, she was the tomboy of the group and loved to work on things outside with her dad.

After graduating high school in Spokane in 1962, she did a year of business college in Sheridan, Wyoming. She married Steve Settle in Idaho Falls, Idaho, on July 23, 1966. They added two sons and a daughter to the family, along with a love of Jeeping that lasted the rest of her days.

Carolyn was an accomplished seamstress and won a working with wool contest with a business suit she designed and made. While that was the end of sewing contests, she made countless clothes and costumes for her kids, often late into the night. Carolyn loved to be outside in the summer. Gardening, picking huckleberries, and swimming in the lakes around town were at the top of her list of ways to spend her time. She couldn't turn away a stray, whether it was the puppy her daughter brought home from school or a friend of the family in need of a place to stay. Carolyn was a great cook and she made sure you didn't leave her house hungry. She also made it nearly impossible to steal her recipes as she would eyeball the amounts and say things like, "Add more until it looks good."



herself and she moved to Bigfork at the Lakeview Care Center. While there,

she was known as being sweet and feisty with a quick wit and faster reflexes than you'd expect. She loved bingo in the afternoons and enjoyed her time with the other residents until she passed on the evening of Aug. 30, 2021.

Carolyn was preceded in death by her parents, Tom and Eileen Close; sister, Patricia Smith; and her grandson, Bryan Oryall.

She is survived by her husband, Jeffry Lee; sisters, Katie and Eileen O'Shea; children, Kevin Settle, Bill Settle and Barbara Strong; and grandchildren, Justin Wang, Shelby Daniels, Kyler Settle, Tyler Harper, Cody Settle, Mackenzie Settle, Samantha Settle, Sydney Strong, John Settle, Kara Strong, Luke Strong and Jacob Strong.

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

She worked as a bookkeeper and tax consultant and started Kalispell's first dance supply store in 1984. In 1995 she spent the summer working in Bristol Bay, Alaska, working as a bookkeeper. While in Alaska she met and brought home Jeffry Lee whom she married in the spring of 1998. From then on she spent her time taking care of her mom and providing daycare for several of her grandkids.

In 2016 her dementia reached a point that she could no longer care for

Robert E. Lee, 72

PA 6 22 June 2021
Robert E. Lee, 72, of Marion, passed away unexpectedly Monday, May 24, 2021. He did not



Robert is survived by eight children, 21 grandchildren, 25 great-grandchildren, and one more on the way; four brothers and his favorite sister; two stepparents and numerous nieces and nephews.

Robert was preceded in death by his father J.W. Lee, mother Clara (Maxine) Maytum, and younger brother Jon Lee.

jealous husband crawling out a window, but he never grew up.

Always up for a party, a friend to all, and devoted to family, Robert is also remembered as a Marine, starting Libby Cab, his 19 years at Nickel Cars, and his bolt hat.

A celebration of life will be held at noon, Friday, July 2, Seventh Day Adventist Church in Kalispell. At 1:30 p.m. there will be an honor service at Glacier Memorial Gardens.

Flower arrangements may be sent to 1185 Old Reserve West, Kalispell.

Scott Edward Lee

PA 6 22 Aug 2021
We lost our loving husband, father, brother and friend, Scott Edward Lee, of Kalispell, in May 2021, after his nine-year battle with cancer.



Scott's jokes and one-liners, or other memories you have with Scott,

Please join us Saturday, Sept. 11, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon to celebrate his life at the Flathead County Fairgrounds Expo Building.

Please bring stories,

written on paper, in place of greeting cards. We would love to put these in a folder to read for years to come.

Kristine Anne (Lagerquist) Lefebvre, 49

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Kristine Anne (Lagerquist) Lefebvre, 49 years of age, passed away Thursday, May 6, 2021, at Hospice of North Idaho.

Kristie was born July 30 1971, in Kellogg, Idaho, to Paul and Darlene Lagerquist; she was the oldest of two daughters.

Kristie and family moved from the Silver Valley in Idaho to Sand Point, Alaska, in 1980 where she attended Sand Point School. They later moved to Fairbanks, Alaska, in 1982 where Kristie attended Ryan Middle School and West Valley High School. In 1986 the family moved to North Pole, Alaska, where Kristie attended North Pole High School and graduated in 1989. Kristie went on to the University of Idaho after high school and later returned to North Pole in 1991.

Kristie was married to TJ Lefebvre June of 1996 in Fairbanks, Alaska. TJ brought two children into Kristie's life and Kristie and TJ had three more children in their marriage. Kristie and her family moved from Alaska to Columbia Falls, Montana, in 2006 where they raised their children. Kristie later moved to Northern Idaho where she resided until her passing.

Kristie's favorite hobbies were spending time with family and friends camping, horseback riding, hunting and fishing. She enjoyed watching her children play softball, hockey and competing in many other sports and activities.

Kristie was preceded



in death by her grandparents, Paul and Sena Gunderson of Kellogg, and Cliff and

Agnes Reynolds of Enaville, Idaho. Kristie leaves to cherish her memories children, Brandon (Jamie) Lefebvre of Whitefish, Jenifer (Shawn) Earl of Fairbanks, Jordan Lefebvre of Columbia Falls, Shealyn Lefebvre of Phoenix, and Beau Lefebvre of Marion, Montana; parents, Paul and Darlene Lagerquist of Harrison, Idaho; sister, Katie (John) Jansen, of Moses Lake, Washington; grandchildren, Aunna Lefebvre, Waylon Lefebvre, Jalan Butkovich and Charlotte Earl; nephew, Fischer Jansen; niece, Kendal Jansen; and a host of aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

A service will be held May 29 at The Catholic Church of St. Rita, 27 Kellogg, Ave., Kellogg, Idaho, at 1 p.m., and a reception will follow at the Kellogg Elks Lodge, 202 McKinley Ave., Kellogg.

The family requests that in lieu of flowers, please make donations in Kristine Lefebvre's name to the Hospice of North Idaho, Schneidmiller House.

You may share your memories of Kristie and sign her guest book at www.shoshonefuneral-service.com. Shoshone Funeral Services & Crematory Kellogg, Idaho, is entrusted with services.

James 'Jamie' Lenon, 73

PAL 7 Mar 2021
James Houston Lenon passed away peacefully on Sunday, Feb. 21, 2021, after a battle with gallbladder cancer, in Kalispell, where he was born 73 years ago.

His life was full of many accomplishments and adventures. In high school he was an avid ski racer and a four-year member of the Northern Division Junior National Team where he won a National Championship for the Downhill, and earned a place on the U.S. Talent Squad in 1966. He continued his racing career at Montana State University, graduating in 1971 from the School of Architecture. Jamie co-founded the architectural firm Mattson, Prugh & Lenon in 1978 and later Prugh & Lenon Architects — acting as the principal architect on multiple Museum of the Rockies expansions, Bozeman area elementary and middle schools, Bozeman Yellowstone International Airport, and numerous other civil and residential works.

He was deeply loved by his community, generously sharing his gift of teaching and skiing with Eagle Mount for more than 25 years. His curiosity of other cultures and passion for



food took him on countless journeys, from the mountains of Patagonia to the

beaches of Fiji and to more European countries than you can count on both hands. In 2016, he retired to Flathead Lake, expanding his canoe collection and adding a pontoon boat. Jamie continued his passion for design and construction at the Somers home he shared with his wife and dogs, as well as the family cabin on Spoon Lake.

His passing was preceded by his parents, Percy and Peg Lenon, and his sisters, Ann Daly and Jean Schlecten.

Jamie is survived by his wife, Peg Lenon, his children, Emerson and Annie Lenon, daughter-in-law Jammie Taylor, son-in-law Sam Cochran, grandson, Cosmo Cochran, and a lifetime of friends.

A celebration of his life will be held this summer, a gathering of stories, love, and laughter to honor the beloved.

Donations in lieu of flowers can be made to Eagle Mount (eagle-mount.org/support/).

Sonja Kay Lentz, 69

Sonja Kay Lentz, 69, of Kalispell, died March 13, 2021, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center.

Graveside services will be held at 1 p.m. Friday, March 26, at Glacier Memorial Gardens.

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

Ronald Leonard, 86

Ronald Leonard, 86, of Somers, died Oct. 13, 2021, at Logan Health Medical Center.

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

Rod V. Lenz, 81

Rod V. Lenz passed away peacefully on Dec. 2, 2020, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center with his wife Sandie by his side.

Rod was born Jan. 12, 1939 in Spokane to Fred and Vivian Lenz. His early years were spent in Plains, Montana, Florida and California where he played football at Culver City High School.

Rod enlisted in the United States Navy in 1955, completing submarine qualification before volunteering for Basic Underwater Demolition School. Following training, he was assigned to Underwater Demolition Team FIVE and served in the Korean conflict. After leaving the Navy, he went to work for the Washington State Highway Patrol. He then followed in his father's footsteps, going to work for Northern Pacific Railroad, which became the Burlington Northern Railroad (BN).

Rod studied forestry at the University of Montana in Missoula and became a timber buyer, working throughout the Pacific Northwest inspecting railroad ties at the tie yard in Somers until its closure in 1986. The BN then moved him and his family to railroad tie plants in Columbus, Mississippi and Galesburg, Illinois, where he became the chief material and timber inspector. Retiring after 30 years with the Burlington Northern, Rod and Sandie returned to Lakeside to build their dream home and raise horses.

Throughout the years Rod was actively involved with Shriners International where he participated in parades and Shrine Circuses as



a clown; all helping to raise money for the hospitals and burn centers, but most important to him was bringing smiles to children's

faces. He also loved hunting and being in the woods of Montana.

Rod was preceded in death by his father Frederick Rourke Lenz, mother Vivian Hume, and brother William "Bill" Lenz.

He is survived by his wife, Sandie (Rufenach), of 37 years; daughter Kate and husband Dan Sharon, son Rick and wife Lorri Lenz, son Colby and wife Jessica Lenz, grandchildren Jenny Hawthorne, Zach and Jacob Sharon, Colton and Shawna Lenz, Trace, Bristol, and Chance Lenz and Madison Gilchrist; also great-grandchildren Parker and Bodie Hawthorne; brothers and their spouses Randy and Debbie Lenz, Jeff and Cindy Lenz, and his sisters and their spouses Vickie and Tom Bohannon, Peggy and Michael Clough, Melanie and Bob Smith, and many nieces and nephews.

If you would like to make a donation to Shriners Hospitals for Children in memory of Rod, please go to <https://donate.lovetotherescue.org/RodLenz>

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

Jessica F. Mack Lesker, 41

P.A. 7 26 Sept 2021
 Jessica was born Dec. 15, 1979, and left this world Sept. 9, 2021.

She loved crafting, baking, then recently started gardening, and canning. Her favorite thing of all though was being with her family.

Even in death she continued to help people by being an organ donor.

In 1998 she met the love of her life, Jason Lesker, and they were married on June 26, 1999. After years of praying for children, they were blessed with Xander and Ashton in 2008, then they were sent their surprise miracle baby, Grayson, in 2019. Her family was everything to her.

Jessica was an amazing wife, mother, daughter, sister and auntie. There will forever be a hole in our hearts that cannot be filled.

She is survived by her husband, Jason; sons, Xander, Ashton and Grayson; mom and stepdad, Jeanette and Sonny



Krueger; stepmom, Marcy Mack; sister and brother-in-law, Jenifer and Curtis

Skelton; brother, John Mack and his girlfriend Amanda Dusek; nephew, Trevor Mack; nieces, Devan, Kendra, Kylee and Kierstyn Skelton; great-nephew, Owsley, and Garrison who she was so excited to be arriving in December; mother-in-law, Bonnie Lesker; sister-in-law and husband Stephanie and Allen McDaniel; and brother-in-law, Johnathan Lesker, and his sons Jared, Tara and John Jr.

She was preceded in death by her dad Laurence Mack, father-in-law Craig Lesker, grandparents, and other beloved family members.

There will be a celebration of life and potluck at Birch Grove Community Center on Oct. 3 at 2 p.m.

Barbara 'Kay' Lewis, 64

P.A. 4 July 2021
 Barbara "Kay" Lewis (née Bush) of Bigfork, was born Jan. 12, 1957, in Pontiac, Michigan. On June 26, 2021, in Kalispell, she succumbed peacefully to frontal temporal dementia



and their Rocky Mountains. She was a longtime member of the

Backcountry Horsemen. She was a successful real estate agent in the Flathead Valley for many years.

Kay is gone before us now, leading us to God where she found him at the Chinese Wall, the Jewel Basin and other places in the Bob Marshall Wilderness.

We loved Kay dearly, we will miss her terribly, but remember her sweet smile, her laugh. We will hold her always close to our hearts and our grief will be softened by our memories of her and knowing she is at peace. We are grateful for the time she shared with us.

Surviving Kay are her longtime partner Edmund "Ed" Langlois, daughter Maranda Johnson (née Irwin) (Michael), grandchildren Everest and Finn Johnson, siblings Mary Bush, Susan Bush, Jane Bush, John Bush (Diane) (née Goodrich), and Becky Rausser (Bush) (Dave), and John's son Ryan. Kay loved the Lord, her family and friends. She was happiest when she was in the mountains riding her horse, camping with Ed. She loved Montana

Backcountry Horsemen. She was a successful real estate agent in the Flathead Valley for many years.

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Please join members of Kay's family in sharing a celebration of her life at the Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home on Saturday, July 10, at 10 a.m.

Beverly Ann "Dunn" Letourneau, 88

P.A. 7 8 Aug 2021
 On May 14, 2021, Beverly died peacefully in Kalispell. She was 88 years old.

Beverly is survived by her sons, Terry Letourneau (Kathy), Gregg Letourneau (Dawn Walker) and other relatives and friends.

Beverly Ann Letourneau was born March 24, 1933, in Anoka, Minnesota, to Lilian Dunn. She graduated from Marshall High School in 1951 and participated in various clubs while in high school including yearbook, cheerleading, National Honor Society and the class treasurer. She was voted "Friendliest" in her class.

Beverly Dunn was reintroduced to a high



school classmate, Robert Letourneau, by high school classmates in 1960.



They were married in 1961. Together they raised two sons. A devoted daughter, sister, wife and mother, she was a great cook and cherished the family life. Her love of decorating, gardening, cooking and entertaining spilled over into her everyday life that people loved and admired.

She never wanted any-

one to be alone during the holidays. She could always make for others to gather at the table.

Bev worked for the Minneapolis School District as a teacher's aide at Bremer Elementary in the late '60's and early '70s. She also worked at Paper Products Plus with her best friends. She could never believe that she got paid to have so much fun.

During the 1970s she had a passion for performing musicals with the Brooklyn Park Variations. This is where she met many of her lifelong friends.

In 1995 Bev and Bob purchased their dream lake home on 3rd Crow Wing Lake in Nevis, Minnesota. Many week-

ends were spent remodeling their cabin home, decorating, gardening, entertaining family and friends, relaxing and fishing. They moved to their lake home full time in 2005. In 2011, they moved to Kalispell to be closer to family.

A special thank you to the staff at the Montana Veterans Home for providing Bev with such wonderful care.

No memorial service is planned due to local Covid concerns and for the safety of others.

Family asks in lieu of flowers, please make a donation to your local veterans home or food pantry.

Frances Lewis, 86

Frances Lewis, 86, of Kalispell, peacefully passed away on Sept. 15, 2021.



Frances Lewis and Donna Lewis (Great Falls), Diane Thomas (Whitefish), Daniel Lewis (Kalispell), Cindy Thumm (Boise), Linda McCollum and Kirk Lewis, both of California. Frances loved animals.

In her high school yearbook she stated that her ambition was to have a kennel of dogs. Her children always laughed because she ended up with a "Kennel of Kids" instead. At one point, she had four children in diapers at one time — cloth diapers. Frances was a very loyal, hard worker. She always had at least one job. When living in Kalispell, she managed the 4-H Camp at Loon Lake, drove school bus for Dotten Bus in Somers and worked as a switchboard operator at night for the Kalispell Regional Medical Center, all at the same time. Frances loved life, Grizzlies football, her children and grandchildren. She will truly be missed.

A memorial service will be scheduled at a later date due to the Covid pandemic.

Donations may be made to Immanuel Foundation, 40 Claremont Street, Kalispell, MT 59901 or visit Info@immanuelfoundation.org or donate online at www.immanuelfoundation.org Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home of Kalispell is caring for the family.

She was born to Gabriel and Mary Swan on Nov. 6, 1934, in Forsyth, Montana.

Frances graduated from Great Falls Central High School in 1953. She married Donald Lewis in 1958 in Reno, Nevada. They lived together in San Francisco before moving back to Great Falls and, after 20 years in Great Falls, they relocated to Kalispell.

Frances is survived by one brother, Gib Swan, of Great Falls; three children, Nancy Swan (Tom) of Whitefish, Linda Bandy (Tom) of Aurora, Colorado, and Terry Lewis (Rhonda) of Boise, Idaho. She is survived by 57 grandchildren and great-grandchildren, as well as many nieces and nephews.

Frances was preceded in death by her parents, Gabriel and Mary Swan; her husband of 58 years, Donald Lewis; as well as by her siblings, Marion Willett, Elizabeth (Betty) Shine, and Archie Swan, all of Great Falls and Richard Swan of Colorado Springs, Colorado. Her children who have preceded her in death include

Gail A. Lewis left his earthly home to be with Jesus on May 14, 2021.

Gail was born in Missoula on Aug. 28, 1938, to Cecil and Viola Lewis. He joined older brother Lear. Cecil worked construction so Gail's early years were spent moving from place to place. They settled in Rollins where Gail went to grade school at the Rollins schoolhouse. Gail attended and graduated Polson High School and was a proud Polson Pirate.

Gail enrolled in Montana State College where he earned a letter in wrestling as well as a degree in mathematics with a minor in physics. Gail's first teaching job was in Fort Greely, Alaska, where he had many adventures and met his first love, Sylvia Hendrickson. Gail and Sylvia were married in June of 1965 at Ebenezer Lutheran Church in Lake



Westview Junior High and was vice principal. He coached wrestling and, in 1972, led the Hamilton Broncs to a second place state title. Gail became a father in 1970 to Marlin. Amber and Kipp soon followed. Gail retired from teaching in 1988 and tried his hand at real estate, as well as became a part of a sought-after cabinet making team. In 2007 Sylvia passed away. As God always has a plan, Gail met Peggy Weaver Kayser. In January 2009 Gail and Peggy were married. How lucky for Gail to have known such love in his life, not once but twice.

Gail loved to hunt, fish, golf, cheer on his Bobcats

Gail A. Lewis, 82

Stevens, Washington. They moved to Hamilton, Montana, where Gail taught at

and follow grandchildren to events all over the state and Northwest.

Gail was preceded in death by his parents, Cecil and Viola, brother Lear, and wife Sylvia.

He leaves behind his wife of 12 years, Peggy Lewis; children, Marlin (Megan) Lewis, Amber (Lans) Richardson, and Kipp (Robyn) Lewis; and grandchildren, Addyson, Elaina, Ellyn, Annalise, Malyn and Cecile. He also leaves behind bonus children, Sarah (Will) Mahoney, Erik (Fran) Kayser, Matt Kayser, Annie Kayser and Scott (Mary) Kayser; and bonus grandchildren, Kai, Keifer, Mallory, Rory and Ione.

Gail's memorial service will take place at Faith Lutheran Church in

Hamilton on Sunday, May 23, at 3 p.m., with a reception following. A celebration of life will take place on Gail's birthday, Aug. 28, at Papa's Lake.

Memorials can be made to Montana State Alumni Foundation; Faith Lutheran Church, Hamilton; The Rollins Schoolhouse (Women of Rollins, P.O. Box 186 Rollins, MT 59931) or a charity of your choice. Gail touched the lives of many and will be deeply missed.

Messages of condolences may be shared with the family online at www.lakefuneral-homeandcremation.com. Arrangements are under the care of The Lake Funeral Home and Crematory.

Kristine E. Lierboe, 75

Kristine E. Lierboe, 75, died Feb. 26, 2021, at her home in Whitefish. She is survived by her husband, Hal Trost.

No services are planned at this time. Austin Funeral & Cremation Services is caring for the family.

Novella Jean Little, 89

PAB 29 Aug 2021
Novella Jean Little, 89, formerly of Troy, Tennessee, transitioned from this earthly life to her home in heaven on July 29, 2021.

She was the 13th child born to Elder and Izora Stephens. She graduated from Woodland Mills High School in 1949 and married the love of her life Walter ("Dub" to many). They moved to Detroit where they became the proud parents of their only child Debbie. After Dub worked at Ford's for 32 years and Novella worked in finance and accounting, they returned to Tennessee to retire on Kentucky Lake. The home they built on the lake was an oasis of adventure for their three grandchildren, Seth, Tyler and Katelin, who would visit every summer and every chance they could. It was also the meeting place for many family reunions and visits for family and friends. Once the grandkids were grown, and the lake was empty, they moved back to Troy in 2000 where they both continued to stay active both in their church, Troy United Methodist, and the community.

Dub passed away in February 2016 after 67 years of marriage. Novella tried living by herself, keeping herself busy with all her activities, but soon realized she wanted to be near her daughter and her grandchildren and great-grand-



children. She made the big move to Montana the summer of 2017. While adjusting

to Montana's winters was a challenge, she adored being with her great-grandsons, Zane, Magnus and Ledger, and sharing life's adventures with them. She was also so looking forward to welcoming her great-granddaughter in October 2021.

Sweet, sweet memories. Her big loving smile and loud coos to the great-grandkids will be truly missed.

Novella was preceded in death by her husband, parents, all her sisters and brothers, her brother-in-law J.C. Little "Pip," and many nieces and nephews.

She is survived by her daughter Debbie Biggar (Dave), grandson Seth Woodham, grandson Tyler Woodham (Megan) and granddaughter Katelin Ray (TJ), three great-grandsons Zane, Magnus and Ledger, sister-in-law Mamie Little, sister-in-law Glida Darling, brother-in-law Butch Little (Robbie) and sister-in-law Judy Patterson, as well as many nieces and nephews.

A celebration of life will be held for Novella, in her beloved Tennessee, this fall or next spring.

Tyler Littlefield, 21

PAB 25 Apr 2021
Those who knew Tyler Littlefield even just a little, lost a shining light in their lives. It is with deepest sorrows that we announce that Tyler Littlefield, our beloved son, brother, family member and friend passed away April 16, 2021. He was 21 years old, and although he was only 21 at the time of his death, he affected many people in his lifetime. Tyler loved muscle cars. His favorite car was a '69 Dodge Charger. He was passionate about guns. He loved to hunt and fish. When he was not playing Xbox, he loved to spend time with his family and friends and he loved playing fetch with his Husky dog, Steele, and enjoyed playing with his sisters' cats. Coors Banquet was his favorite beer.

Tyler will be missed every day by his father and mother Milton and Michele Littlefield, brother Samuel Price, sisters Trisha Price and Tessa Littlefield, grand-



mother Louella Price, his uncle Ronald Price, aunt Patricia Beau-

champ, cousin Tristan Price, cousin Joe Beauchamp, and best friend Cole Anderson. He is survived by many other aunts, uncles, cousins and friends. He is also survived by his nephew Jayden Price.

We know Tyler is with loved ones in heaven and is loved here on Earth. We love and miss you so much my son, go now and spread your wings and fly high. "Xoxo."

Private family services are being held.

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.

Joseph Anthony Lincoln, 88

Joseph Anthony Lincoln, 88, of Great Falls, died at The Springs at Whitefish Sept. 14, 2021.

He is survived by wife Sherry Lincoln, and children Dolores Marie, Joseph Anthony Jr., Timothy, John and Paul Michael.

A graveside committal with military honors will be held at Mt. Olivet Cemetery in Great Falls at a later date.

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

Kenneth Wheeler Littledog, 77

Kenneth "Wheeler" Littledog Sr., 77, of Kalispell, died Dec. 16, 2021, at Logan Health Medical Center.

A funeral service will be held at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 22, at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home with a reception to follow.

A second funeral service, weather permitting, will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 23, at the Brown Building in Heart Butte, Montana, with burial to follow. A visitation will be held from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Heart Butte. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

John 'Jack' Phillip Von Lindern, 85

John "Jack" Phillip Von Lindern, 85, of Columbia Falls, died Saturday, March 6, 2021, at his home.

Private family services are being held. Darlington Cremation and Burial Service is caring for the family.

Craig Lindh, 81

Craig Lindh, 81, of Whitefish, died March 1, 2021, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center. Services are pending. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Richard Lock, 78

Richard Lock, 78, of Kalispell, died Oct. 25, 2021, at Brendan House. Services are pending. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Dennis 'Denny' Dean Lockhart

Dennis "Denny" Dean Lockhart was born in 1945 to Dean and Geneva Lockhart.

He is survived by his wife Kathy; children Douglas, Tamara, Brian, and Kevin, stepchildren Lucy and Jeff; sister Marilee; multiple grandchildren; great-grandchildren; extended family and many friends.

Denny grew up in the lower valley on the Lockhart family farm, going to Demersville School, and enjoying time on Foys Bend on the Flathead River. He graduated from Flathead High School followed by enlisting into the National Guard. He spent a brief time at the Mountain Logger Factory, followed by a career at the post office. He loved spending time with family, friends, telling stories, snow-cat-



ting, camping, volunteering for the Evergreen Fire Department and working at their fair booth. He was president of the Flathead

Snowmobile Association for several years and was an advocate for grooming and public land access. Denny passed away peacefully at home surrounded by family on July 1, 2021.

There will be a celebration of life for Denny on Friday July 9 from 4-7 p.m. at Vista Linda. Come enjoy a cold Keystone, good food, and share some great stories with us.

Shelly Wilis Lingle, 61

Shelly Wilis Lingle, 61, of Kalispell, died Sept. 15, 2021, at Sacred Heart Medical Center in Spokane, due to a massive stroke.

She is survived by her husband, Gerald Lingle.

A celebration of life is planned for next year.

Robert 'Bob' Lockman

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Bob Lockman, 84, of Columbia Falls, Montana, passed away Dec. 25, 2020.

Bob was born April 15, 1936 at Sacred Heart Hospital in Yankton, South Dakota, to Henry and Rose Lockman.

He attended schools in Yankton and then the Beaver Creek rural school prior to attending high school in Crofton, Nebraska, and graduating in 1954. After attending and playing football for Norfolk College in Nebraska, he married his first wife Helen Ennis



prior to moving to San Diego and starting work with Rohr Aircraft in Chula Vista, California.

also manage a semi-pro baseball team in Southern California at the same time as he was running his youth teams. Bob's involvement with baseball continued when he and Connie moved to the Flathead Valley in 1994.

He joined the Glacier Twins American Legion program and served as board member and officer, coach, and head of the task force in the rebuild of the covered grandstand at the Twins field at Memorial Park in Whitefish.

To this union, four children were born (Scott, Mary, Patti and Don).

In 1960 Bob started a long career in the defense industry. He retired and moved to Montana in 1994. It was during and at his employment at Boeing that he met and subsequently married his current wife Connie in 1984 at Yosemite National Park in California.

Bob has always been active in coaching and managing youth baseball. For many years he found the time to recruit and

Survivors include Connie, his wife of 36 years, children Scott (Traci) Lockman of Riverside, California; Mary (Jenny McIver) Lockman of Atlanta, Georgia; Patti Watson of San Diego, California; Donald (Kelly) Lockman of Corona, California; stepsons Dave (Letty) Hauck of Buena Park, California, and Greg Hauck of San Antonio, Texas; 11 grandchildren; one great-grandson; siblings Vern Lockman of Shelby, Nebraska,

Ken (Deanne) Lockman of Crofton, Nebraska, and Dennis Lockman and Carol Lambert of Winnsboro, Texas. Bob was preceded in death by his parents and his first wife, Helen.

A Funeral Mass and celebration of life will be planned for Summer 2021 near the rural Sacred Heart Beaver Creek Cemetery in Crofton, Nebraska, a short distance from where he grew up and helped his family farm the homestead during his youth.

Yuri Ricardo Lolong, 33

Yuri Ricardo Lolong passed away on May 18, 2021, in Indonesia. A sudden illness took his life in a day.

Yuri was born on Sept. 21, 1987, in Jakarta, Indonesia, and in 1990s Yuri immigrated to America with his family landing first in San Francisco and then in Kalispell where he attended Evergreen Elementary School and Evergreen Junior High School. He spoke often of the memories and friends he made in Evergreen. Yuri finished high school in San Francisco where he graduated. Yuri chose to move back to Indonesia permanently after the death of his beloved mother in San Francisco on Feb. 3, 2014.

In Indonesia, Yuri live with his aunts and cousin in Manado, North Sulawesi. Soon after he moved to Jakarta, he met Esther Mey Anggraeni, the love of his life, and on Feb. 5, 2019, he married her. To this union was born a daughter on May 13, 2020, Zanna Yumei Elizabeth Lolong and stepson Nathan Arya.



Yuri was preceded in death by his mother Elizabeth Kambey. He is survived by his father, Richard Lolong, of San Francisco; and aunt, Christine Marshall, of Tulare California; four brothers, Bastian and Yana and son Albert of Jakarta, Indonesia, Samuel and Carline and daughter Ellena of Bogor, Indonesia, Ilya and Kasia and daughter Farrah of Montreal, Quebec, Berry Lolong and son Kaden of San Francisco; and his only sister, Merry "Mei" Tripp and Bill and daughters Julie, Elly, Nella and Anna; and numerous uncles, aunts, cousins in Indonesia.

Yuri was buried at Esther's family cemetery in Jombang, East Java Indonesia, just a temporary place on his way to heaven. The plan for the memorial service for Yuri will be later this summer dependent on pandemic regulation in San Francisco.

Mary Alice Lodien, 91

Mary Alice Lodien, of Kalispell, peacefully slipped into the presence of her Lord and Savior on Sept. 18, 2021.

Mary Alice was born in Roseboro, Arkansas, Nov. 13, 1929, to Robert and Willa (Woods) Robertson.

She graduated from Annona (Texas) High School in 1945. One of the highlights of her youth was when, at the age of 16, she spent a year in Washington, D.C., working at the Union Gospel Mission.

After her stay in D.C. she moved to Eugene-Springfield, Oregon, to be with her parents who had moved during her time on the East Coast. It was there that Lester Lodien fell in love with the new girl in the choir. After they were married, the

Lord blessed them with two children, Lois Ann and Lester Ray.

Mary Alice and Lester had experienced farm life while growing up and wanted their children to have the same experience, so they purchased their little piece of heaven in 1957. While they were busy raising their young family and growing crops on the farm, they were heavily involved in the beginnings of Eastside Baptist Church in Springfield. For the next 60 years, Mary Alice was the primary pianist/organist for the church. Even after dementia took away her ability to communicate and perform simple tasks, she was still able to play the beloved hymns, which tell the Gospel story.

Over the years, she

held just about every job she could hold in the church, including teaching Sunday School for over 50 years. Indeed, outside of her family, serving the Lord was her greatest joy.

Mary Alice had a deep-rooted joy, which continually bubbled to the surface in the form of a twinkle in her eye and a broad smile on her face. She had the kind of genuine love which would fill you up; and warmed the hearts of all who knew her. You could not outgive Mary Alice. She was a servant to family, friends, and strangers alike. Mary Alice was the epitome of the saying, "Jesus first, Others sec-

ond, and You last." She truly was a J.O.Y. to be around.

She was preceded in death by her parents, siblings, her husband Lester, and great-granddaughter Willow.

She is survived by her daughter, Lois Klune (John), and son, Ray (Mary); granddaughters, Allison Mosier (Michael) and Lindsey Maurer (Rob); grandsons, John Robert Klune (Githa), Philip Lodien (Jessica), and Brandon Lodien (Tia); plus 10 great-grandchildren.

A celebration of her life will be held at 1 p.m. today, Oct. 7, in the Canvas Church lower auditorium.

Lawrence Loeffler, 91

Lawrence Loeffler, 91, of Kalispell, died at home on March 24, 2021.

He is survived by his sons, David and Richard Loeffler.

No local services are being planned. Arrangements are under the care of Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home and Crematory.

Aidan Nichols Long, 16

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Aidan Nichols Long, the beloved son of Ben Long and Karen Nichols, died in his sleep at their home in Kalispell early on Jan. 14, 2021. Aidan was 16.



Aidan was born in Kalispell in 2004. He grew up loving the Montana way of life. He enjoyed camping, canoeing, collecting insects and fishing. He attended Glacier High School's Life Skills class at the time of his death. He previously attended Hedges elementary and Kalispell Middle School. He loved books, cowboy songs, silly poems and Disney movies, particularly "Robin Hood" and "Aladdin." He dreamed of being a builder and connecting buildings in downtown Kalispell with sky bridges. He was a champion

hugger. At age 5, Aidan developed epilepsy, which developed into a severe and rare seizure disorder. He spent long periods of time hospitalized and was flown to urban hospitals several times when his seizures grew out of control. Despite 12 years of merciless seizures and relentless medical treatments, he retained a loving, open and curious nature. He was beloved by a long list of friends, neighbors, aides, nurses, educators, therapists and medical professionals who worked with him over the years. The family especially thanks his local doctors, Lynn Dykstra

and Marcus Wheeler, and their staff. The family also expresses deepest gratitude for all who loved Aidan and showed him kindness.

Aidan was preceded in death by his grandparents, Don and Mary Nichols, of Silver Spring, Maryland.

Aidan is survived by his parents, Karen Nichols, longtime photographer for the Daily Inter Lake, and Ben Long, former reporter for the Daily Inter Lake, of Kalispell; and his aunt and uncle, Tracy and Michael Scholl, of Louisville, Colorado. He is also survived by his paternal grandparents, Roger and Genevieve Long, of Deary, Idaho; aunts and their partners, Kristen and Steve Hanson, of Lewiston, Idaho; Dana and

Shane Kim, of Mercer Island, Washington; Elenore Long and Jen Clifton of Chandler, Arizona; cousins Brady Scholl, of Louisville, Colorado, Sarah and Eric Kim, of Mercer Island, and Pascale Jarvis, of Easthampton, Massachusetts.

In lieu of flowers, the family wishes memorials be made in his name to Citizens United for Research in Epilepsy (CURE) or the LGS Foundation.

A memorial will be organized when the pandemic is over.

Aidan was never shy about telling people he loved them. His parents believe a good way to honor Aidan's life is to follow that example.

Kathleen Hayes Longfield, 70

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Kathleen Hayes Longfield passed away on Aug. 16, 2021, with her sons by her side.

She was born March 10, 1951, to Barney and Muriel Hayes in Kalispell.



Jessica, Cameron (Brittany), Michaella and Jordan; and a

She attended St. Matthew's and Flathead High and throughout her life worked several jobs in the Flathead, including Thomas Printing, Evergreen Pharmacy, home health care, and finally as a carrier for the Missoulian.

Anyone who knew Kathy knew her dogs were her family. She spent many hours at the Old Steel Bridge with her dogs and befriended like-minded people there. She was also known for her cinnamon rolls, potato salad, shrimp dip, and huckleberry crumb cake and enjoyed sharing with her friends and family.

She is survived by her two sons, Michael, and Todd and his wife Shannon; grandchildren,

great-grandson, Oliver; also, her sister, Sandi French; nieces, Kayley Robertson and Cindy Parsons; nephews, Kevin French, Dion Redinger, and Robert Howard; and many great-nieces and -nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, sister LouAnne Howard, and a nephew Kenny Howard.

There will be a celebration of life on Saturday, Sept. 25, at 1 p.m. at Lawrence Park in Kalispell.

Because of her love for animals, to honor Kathy the family requests that everyone treat pets with kindness and support your local animal shelters.

Kay Lorenz, 94

Kay Lorenz, 94, of Whitefish, died Friday Feb. 12, 2021.

She is survived by her son Richard. No services are

planned at this time. Arrangements are under the care of Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home and Crematory.

Elizabeth 'Betty' Louden, 92

Elizabeth Ruth Passmore Louden passed peacefully into the presence of her Savior Jesus Christ, in the early morning hours of Jan. 28, 2021.

Betty was born in Choteau, Montana, on March 8, 1928, to Harold and Bernice Andrews Passmore. She attended school at Pendroy with her brothers and sisters, until the family relocated to Kalispell. The Passmores settled on a farm near Egan school, and Betty graduated from Flathead County High School with the Class of 1946.

After graduation Betty took employment in Kalispell, where she met a handsome bachelor from just across the river, Harold Louden. Harold and Betty married Nov. 14, 1947, at her parent's home, and the newlyweds made their home on the farm in Lower Valley. Harold and Betty raised six children on the farm, teaching them the value of integrity and hard



work, of frugality and faith in the Creator. Bruce was

born in 1948, followed by Donald in 1951, Kenneth in 1952, Doris in 1954, Debra in 1957, and Michael in 1961.

In later years, when Betty's family was grown, she worked at the Kalispell Livestock Auction, and tended a large garden which she shared with family and friends and many loyal customers at the Kalispell Farmers Market.

Mom was a friend and mentor to many, and loved by all that knew her. She and Harold served the Lord faithfully for many years, and were very committed to their church 'family' at Central Bible Church. Her involvement in Bible Study Fellowship fed her love of God's word and built relationships with many dear friends.

Betty was preceded in death by her daughter Debi McKnight in 1980, and her husband Harold in 1990. Also preceding her were her parents Harold and Bernice, her sister Jean Iden, and brother Howard Passmore.

Betty is survived by her brothers Larry (Shirley) of Creston and Gilbert (Janet) of Bozeman, and her sister Jessie Gestring of Creston. She is also survived by her sons Bruce (Janice) of Kalispell, Don (Song) of Tucson, Arizona, Ken (Patty) of Kalispell and Mike (Judy) of Pocatello, Idaho, and her daughter Doris McCoy (Don) of Lewistown, Montana. Also surviving are her much beloved grandchildren, Becky Tolf (Hans), Josh Louden (Carrie), Daniel Louden, Jennifer Louden, Christopher Louden, Grace Louden, Greg Louden (Sarah), Carrie Fennessey (David), Kevin Louden (Amelia),

Steve McCoy (Angela), Brad McCoy (Beth), David McCoy, and David Louden (Tiffanie). Her legacy also includes 24 great-grandchildren, with two more yet to arrive within the next few weeks.

A private family burial will be held at Glacier Memorial Gardens. Friends and family are invited to a memorial service at Central Bible Church in Kalispell, Saturday, Feb. 5, at 11:30 a.m., which will include a time of fellowship and sharing memories. Those who are unable to attend will be able to view the service online through Facebook Live on the Central Bible Church page, or YouTube; search for CBC Kalispell.

If one wishes to make a memorial, the family would suggest Central Bible Church or the Awana program there, or Big Sky Bible Camp.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Cheryl Lynn Lougheed, 68

Cheryl Lynn Lougheed, 68, of Nampa, Idaho, and formerly of Kalispell, died Sunday, Sept. 26, 2021. Alsip and Persons Funeral Chapel in Nampa is handling arrangements.

Richard 'Butch' Lowitz, 77

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Butch Lowitz was born in Whitefish to Delbert and Lucille Lowitz on May 27, 1944.

He passed away at his home on Oct. 9, 2021, after a long battle with pulmonary fibrosis.

He grew up on the family farm on Conn Road and had so many fun memories of fishing and hunting and milking cows. With so many siblings to play with there seemed to be endless things to do and trouble to get into. He attended schools in Whitefish and graduated in 1962 from Whitefish High School where he played football and baseball.

After high school he drove a logging truck and then worked for Melby's Furniture. He loved being a salesman and was a great one for the rest of his life. During these years he married Cheryl Benson and they had two children, Douglas and Melissa. After their



divorce he went into business with his brother Bud at The Upholstery Center in Kalispell.

He met Marianne when he went to give her an estimate for upholstering her loveseat and he made the sale in more ways than one. They married in 1974 and were blessed with one daughter, Amber. They began their own upholstery and window covering business in 1980, Buffalo Hill Upholstery and Window Fashions.

They worked together and played together and were together 24/7 for 47 years. They had so many adventures, but one of Butch's favorite stories was about the two nights they spent locked in East Glacier Lodge. They were there to complete several projects and the manager offered

them free lodging. Little did they know that they were the sole occupants of that grand old lodge. And the caretaker came and locked the doors at night. With everything covered in sheets and only their room occupied they spent two nights wavering between feeling excited and terrified. That old building really talks to you!

Butch loved playing golf and fishing and taking vacations to fun places. Going to Alaska was a lifelong dream come true. And he loved his trips to Seattle to cheer on the Mariners.

Upon retirement Butch fell victim to pulmonary fibrosis, a terrible disease that robs you of your very breath. So many plans had to be forgotten and he wanted everyone to know that you shouldn't put things off until retirement. Do it now!

Butch was preceded in death by his mother and

father and Uncle Leonard; also brothers Pete and Bud, and sister Gloria.

He is survived by his wife, Marianne, daughters Melissa Nolan and her husband Scott, Amber Chacon and her husband Mike, and Douglas; grandchildren Logan Nolan and Neil Chacon, and great-grandchildren Piper and Paisley Nolan. Also surviving him are his sisters Frieda and Naoma, and brother Mark.

We want to thank everyone who has been so kind and helpful during this difficult time. Family and friends are our strength.

At his request there will be no services and his ashes will be scattered at Jewel Basin in the spring.

In lieu of flowers, he requested that people donate to the Northwest Montana Humane Society.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Roberta Jeanne Lucas, 89

Roberta Jeanne Lucas, 89, of Poulsbo, Washington, died on Nov. 11, 2021, at Logan Health Medical Center.

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

Kenneth Luckey, 78

Kenneth Luckey, 78, formerly of Kalispell, died Sept. 24, 2021, at Laurel Health and Rehabilitation in Laurel.

Dahl Funeral Chapel is handling arrangements.

Franklin D. Lundquist, 88

Franklin D. Lundquist, 88, of Kalispell, died at Immanuel Lutheran Tuesday, Oct. 26, 2021.

He is survived by his children, Judy Boudreaux, Frank Lundquist Jr., Dennis Lundquist, Gloria Day, Denise LaFraniere and Brian Lundquist.

A graveside service will be held Monday, Nov. 1, at 1 p.m. at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Franklin J. Lundstrom 76

Franklin J. Lundstrom 76, went to be with his Lord and Savior Aug. 11, 2021.

"Frank" was born in Malta to Frank Lundstrom and Evelyn Snider Lundstrom. The family moved to Columbia Falls in 1946. He loved growing up in the small town atmosphere and enjoyed playing kick the can, hide and seek and various childhood games in the street during evening hours. He respected that mode of play long into his life.

He completed his school years in Columbia Falls and after graduation he served in the U.S. Army in Germany until his honorable discharge when he returned to Montana. He moved to the Seattle area and attended college in Washington state in 1965 and worked various jobs until finally settling at the Department of Defense Navy where he worked for 37 years until retirement. A few years later he moved back to Montana where his heart



called him. Frank was an avid sports fan, he was the quarterback of his high school football team, and he played on the Glacier Twins Baseball league, basketball and in general was a good athlete. He enjoyed sight-seeing, watching sports, fishing, scenic tours, camping and watching high school football. He adored his children; they were his life. He loved his grandchildren and all his extended family. His children's activities were important to him and he never missed one of their events.

Frank was a very spiritual man, introspective, honorable, generous and kind. He was always ready to help others. Community service was important to him and for six years he worked as an electrician for Habitat for Humanity in Washington.

He is survived by his "Earth Angel" Susan (Tina) Gordon; his chil-

dren, Richard Lundstrom of Portland, Becky Morgan of Bremerton, Washington, Micah Lundstrom of Columbia Falls and Pam Lundstrom of Bremerton; his sisters, Judy Schroeder of Columbia Falls, Lois Phieffier of Alliance, Nebraska, Leah Kvamme of Columbia Falls and Lori Lundstrom of Billings; grandchildren, Micah Lundstrom of California, Jordan Lundstrom of Portland, Malia Lundstrom of Tigard, Oregon, and Franklin Morgan of Bremerton; numerous nieces and nephews; also, his good friend, Dennis Allen of Columbia Falls who he shared over 60 years of friendship, and Gene Johnson of Hanesville, Washington, a friend of over 45 years. Funeral Mass will be held at St. Richard Catholic Church in Columbia Falls at 1 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 19.

Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls is caring for the family.

Mark Lyford, 62

Mark Lyford passed peacefully from this life to be with his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on July 28, 2021. He was prayerfully surrounded in spirit by all members of his family.

There will be a celebration of his life on Saturday, Aug. 14, at 2 p.m. at Stanwood Foursquare Church, 27007 90th AVE NW, Stanwood, WA 98292.



The service will be livestreamed in real time (PST) on YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RaIE5NqCkg>

Gilbertson Funeral Home in Stanwood, Washington, is handling arrangements.

Brian Joseph Lumpkin

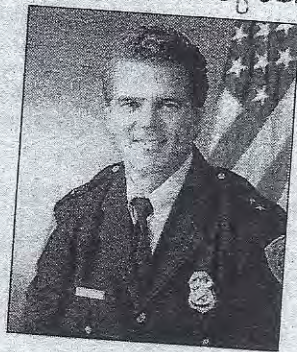
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Brian Joseph Lumpkin, 62, resided in Whitefish, Montana, returned to his heavenly home on May 23 after a valiant battle with a long illness.

His devotion to his family and his firm belief in God supported him in his struggle and ultimately gave him peace. The grace, dignity and humor in which Brian fought his final battle was amazing. He was an inspiration to all that were fortunate enough to know him.

Brian was born July 18, 1958 to Katie Lumpkin and the late Frank (Pops) Lumpkin in Levittown, Pennsylvania. Brian was blessed with a large, amazing loving Irish Catholic family.

Brian began his police career as a Police Officer at the North Wildwood Police Department, New Jersey in 1979. He joined the Houston Police Department 1982. Brian retired, Assistant Chief of Police with the Houston Police Department with over 34 years of Police experience. Through the years he had worked through the ranks. Chief Lumpkin was assigned to East Patrol Command, which oversaw the patrol operations at four patrol stations. He had extensive experience in the development and implementation of police initiatives that had been proven to enhance community trust of law enforcement. Throughout his career he had received numerous awards and community commendation for



his ability to address problems. In addition to serving as a training consultant for Strategies for Youth. Brian was an adjunct instructor at the University of Houston-Clear Lake and an instructor at the University of Illinois.

Chief held a bachelor of arts from Lycoming College, Williamsport, Pennsylvania and a master's degree from the University of Houston in Criminology. He graduated from the FBI Academy in 2000. He was a SARA instructor, a TCLEOSE certified Master Instructor and a chair of the TCLEOSE Patrol Curriculum.

Brian met the love of his life, Janie Frazar on a blind date in Whitefish, Montana when he was in town with the Houston Ski Group. Brian was looking for a dinner companion for the week. Sitting next to Jake Berry at the Hellroaring Saloon, Jake sent a selfie to Janie of Brian and himself. Just dinner was the note!!! Sparks flew on the first

date for both of them. Brian, dimples blue eyes and sparkling personality, moved to Montana with his 13 medium-size boxes shortly after. The local 406 Magazine put an article in the magazine of their incredible love story.

Brian was very passionate about cycling and the World of Cycling. He loved the Tour de France and the Giro d'Italia every year. He would watch the replays on podcast when the actual races were not on. He was a Certified Spin Instructor. His other passions were beekeeping and cooking, in the last couple of years he enjoyed reading cook books, finding and conquering difficult recipes.

Brian "lived like he was dying" every day from his diagnosis. He traveled the world, embraced life, loved like there was no tomorrow. Brian and Janie loved local galas and supporting the local community and charities. They spent countless hours talking, laughing and dancing on their back patio. He loved his four legged step-children, Zooey and Mayzie. Zooey rested with him after he passed and kissed him goodbye.

Brian is survived by his two children, Ryan and Nikki Lumpkin, Houston, Texas. His beautiful redheaded fiery loving mother Katie Lumpkin, Langhorne, Pennsylvania. Siblings Frank L., Jr. and Melissa

of Helena, Alabama, Gregory M. and Helen of Newtown, Pennsylvania., Gary J. and Gerri of Newtown, Pennsylvania, Cathi A. Smith and Scott of Buckingham, Pennsylvania, Dennis N. and Angie of Vineland, N.J., Patti A. Wachtman and Eric of Buckingham, Pennsylvania, Timothy M. and Melissa of Royersford, Pennsylvania.

The love of his life, Janie Frazar, Zooey, and Mayzie. Life's greatest friends and acquaintances in his personal and professional life.

Celebration of Life will be held Saturday, June 5 at Columbia Mortuary 1010 4th Ave West Columbia Falls, Montana at 1 p.m. Reception of follow at Janie and Brian's home 308 Shady River Lane, Whitefish.

Celebration of Life, Friday June 18, HP Officers Union Hall, 1600 State Street Houston, Texas 4 p.m.

Memorial Mass, Thursday, June 24, St. Joseph's Catholic Church, 4308 Landis Avenue, Sea Isle, New Jersey 11 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, Brian has requested donations to some of his favorite local charities, Dream Adaptive.org, Flathead Animal Shelter, Special Olympics Montana, or Whitefish Legacy Partners.

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