

Dixie Joan Wegner (Beebe) Riley, 86

Dixie Joan Wegner (Beebe) Riley, 86, of Columbia Falls, passed away at home on Thursday, Sept. 16, 2021. She fought a long illness with courage and strength, often using humor to keep up the good fight until the Lord finally came calling.

Dixie was born March 17, 1935, in Fort Dodge, Iowa, the first born to Ruth (Klasse) and Percy Wegner. Her mother passed away when she was only 13 days of age, after which her aunt and uncle, Flossie and Edward Beebe took her in as their own.

Dixie attended St. Paul's Lutheran School in Fort Dodge where she enjoyed singing in the choir. As a child, she also was very involved in Camp Fire Girls and 4-H. When Dixie was 12, her family moved to Bemidji, Minnesota, where she attended Bemidji High School. As a sophomore,

her uncle Ed was diagnosed with leukemia. With no family income, Dixie needed to quit school to go to work.

In 1951 she met the love of her life, Kenneth Riley. After a year of courtship, they married at Salem Lutheran Church in Turtle River, Minnesota. Together they moved to White Sulphur Springs, Montana, then to Columbia Falls, where Ken worked at Plum Creek Lumber Company. Shortly thereafter, they started a family and were blessed with two children, Harold John and Tammi Jo. Dixie earned her GED and a degree in adult bookkeeping, which she put to good use, first for Mel Ruder at the Hungry Horse News, followed by nearly 30 years at the



Montana Power Company managing the Columbia Falls office.

Dixie was a charter member of Our Redeemer Lutheran Church where, through the years, she held every office in the ORLC Lutheran Women's Missionary League. In addition to transcribing Braille Sunday School lessons and teaching Sunday School, she also enjoyed tying quilts for missions.

In 1991, Dixie (or Bunny, as Ken would refer to her) retired. It was then that she took up her favorite job as a full-time "Granny." Her love of family and friends kept her busy crocheting beautiful pieces of work, which will be cherished as a remembrance of her by those blessed to have received them. In her free time you would find her baking, finding treasures at garage sales, and playing cards with her dearest friends. In the summertime, she loved

camping with her family, where they would enjoy her famous bacon and eggs, home-cooked meals, and playing cards late into the night.

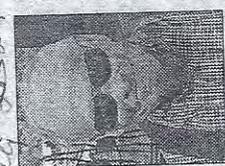
Dixie is survived by her dear husband of nearly 70 years, Ken, her children and their spouses Harold Riley (Reinhilde), and Tammi Hull (Dave), as well as five grandchildren, Kevin Riley, Katrin Hatch, Karolin Stradling, Kelsey Clemmer and Kellen Hull, and seven great-grandchildren. Our Granny always made us laugh and filled us with the knowledge that we were loved. She will be greatly missed!

A gravesite celebration of her life will be held at Columbia Falls' Woodlawn Cemetery on Saturday, Sept. 25, at 2:30 p.m., followed by a reception at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church in Columbia Falls.

Columbia Mortuary is caring for the family.

Robert Warren Ritter Sr., 80

father and husband, loved by all and will be greatly missed.



Bob was pre-
ceded in death by his parents Warren and Lillian Ritter, and a sister, Joyce.

He is survived by his wife, Diana Ritter, of Kalispell; his children, Robert Ritter Jr. of Phoenix, Susan Scott of Scottsdale, Arizona, Brian Ritter of Gilbert, Arizona, Chris Ritter of Chandler, Arizona, Steve Ritter of Bigfork, and Scott Ritter of Bigfork; his sisters, Becky Dooley of Naples, Florida, and Cindi Ritter of Anaheim Hills, California; 13 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held at 3 p.m. Aug. 15 at Family Life Christian Church on Foy's Lake Road. A reception will follow at the church.

Robert Warren Ritter Sr., 80, passed away July 23, 2021, in Kalispell due to cardiac arrest. He was born July 19, 1941, in Weatherly, Pennsylvania. Bob moved to Phoenix from Vermont in the early '70s. He started an automotive repair shop, which he ran for many years.

He met and married his wife, Diana, in Phoenix. They were married Sept. 29, 1984. He moved the family to Flagstaff, Arizona, where he bought and ran a small convenience store and got into the excavating business. In 1992 they made the move to Bigfork after many, many trips to move all his stuff. He was a bit of a collector of anything with an engine. He continued his excavating business in Bigfork. In 2004 he purchased the Woods Bay Gravel Pit where he still ran a loader. Bob had a real passion for his work and his customers. He was a kind and wonderful

Lynda Risner, 79

Lynda Risner, 79, of Kalispell, died Sept. 29, 2021, at Edgewood Vista.

She is survived by her daughters, Josie Brown and Ginny Waltman.

No services are scheduled.

Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls is caring for the family.

Randy Paul Robbins, 58

Randy Paul Robbins, 58, passed away in Flathead County on Nov. 12, 2021, sur-



rounded by his family.

Randy was born on July 11, 1963, in Butte to John "Jack" and Ellen Robbins. He was the youngest of four siblings and was very lovingly referred to as "baby brother."

He attended Emerson Elementary, East Junior High, and graduated from Butte High School in 1981.

Randy thoroughly devoted his life to his love of cars, even taking a career in the auto parts industry. Randy had many cars throughout the years, but the '69 Chevy Impala was something he and his daughter Jami bonded over. He was the guy we would call when problems with our cars arose. He gave the most humble answer that always seemed right and had the best way of making everyone's problems not seem so big while putting it into perspective.

He is survived by the love of his life, wife, Shayla; his greatest blessing, John (Kaleigh); the apple of his eye, Jamilee (Josh); and his bonus kids, Madison, Makyla, Hailee and Blake. He had a soft spot for grand-kids, Brysen, Bentley, Jameson, Kaden, Bryant, Kymberlynn, Emersyn and Stenson. He is also survived by his siblings, Lynnette (Mark) Petritz, Gary (Kim) Robbins and

TJ (Nate) Wal; numerous nieces and nephews, along with too many family and friends to mention.

Randy enjoyed spending time with family and friends, especially getting a rise out of them through his quick-witted sense of humor. If you knew Randy, you knew his love for GM cars, Harley Davidsons; well let's be honest, anything that went fast. Randy enjoyed passing his sports knowledge to his kids and grandkids. Another love of Randy's was Halloween. He and Shayla always had the best costumes, planning them years in advance.

In recent years, Randy moved to Lakeside where he and Shayla found their dream home. They moved to Lakeside for the scenery and lower elevation to aid in Randy's health.

He was preceded in death by his parents John and Ellen Robbins, and other deeply loved family members.

A celebration of Randy's life will be held at 11:30 a.m. on Monday, Nov. 22, at the Copper King Hotel in the Ballroom, 4655 Harrison Ave., Butte, MT 59701.

A graveside service will follow at Mount Moriah Cemetery, 2415 S. Montana St. in Butte.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to Silver Bow County youth sports.

Please visit www.buttefuneralhome.com to offer the family a condolence or to share a memory of Randy. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for the family.

Donald Hermas Roberge, 81

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Donald Hermas Roberge, formerly of Rollins, died peacefully in Tulsa, Oklahoma, on July 31, 2021, in the arms of his loving wife and partner of 33 years, Kitty Taylor Roberge, after a brief hospitalization for pneumonia.

Don was born in Rolette County, North Dakota, on April 8, 1940, the first of five children born to Hermas Eli and Agnes (Hogue) Roberge. He graduated from Rolla High School in Rolla, North Dakota, and attended the University of North Dakota at Grand Forks. He served honorably in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War, stationed in Korea. His career in newspaper advertising began at the Grand Forks, North Dakota, Herald, followed by the Kalispell, Daily Inter Lake, the Coos Bay, Oregon, World, and the Roseburg, Oregon News-Review. In the 1980s, Don decided on a career change that would allow him to express his artistic side. After receiving a Bachelor of Science in Fine Arts degree from the University of Oregon, he opened Roberge Custom Jewelers on Main Street in Roseburg, where he designed special order jewelry until his retirement to Montana in 1995.



Historically accurate reproductions of rifles and pistols of the 1700s. He and Kitty participated in many black powder rendezvous over the years, dressed in historical costumes of the French-Canadian voyager era. After moving to Montana, they created a small homestead in the Rocky Mountains near Flathead Lake where they enjoyed a simple life, producing their own organic food, hand-crafting needed items, and passing along their accumulated knowledge and skills to others. Don was a real people person who made friends wherever he went. He always seemed to be on the verge of laughter, and loved to entertain at home. After suffering several strokes, Don was no longer able to do the hard, physical work necessary to maintain their property, and in 2016 they moved to Tulsa, Oklahoma, to be near Kitty's oldest daughter, Kimberly Heiling-Friess, and her children.

Don was laid to rest with military honors at Fort Gibson National Cemetery in Fort Gibson, Oklahoma.

Don was an avid outdoorsman, and spent many happy days fishing for salmon along the Oregon coast in his sailboat, Esprit de Mer, often with his brothers John and Jerry, and later Kitty and his grandchildren. Don had many interests and talents, and was happily doing something productive. He became an accomplished vinedyardist and winemaker, was a founding member and early president of the Oregon Winegrowers Association, and helped many friends learn the joys of home winemaking. Don was a skilled craftsman and, in the words of his brother Mike, could "make anything out of a rock, two sticks, and a rubber band." Don was an expert gunsmith and a true artist, specializing in beautifully made and his-

He is survived by his wife, Kitty, of Tulsa, Oklahoma; his children from a previous marriage, Steven Roberge of Tustin, California, and Laura Roberge of Murrieta, California; two stepdaughters, Kimberly Heiling-Friess of Tulsa and Angela Heiling of Gig Harbor, Washington; brothers, John Roberge of Maple Valley, Washington, Michael Roberge and wife Debra of Grants Pass, Oregon, Jerry Roberge of Forest Grove, Oregon, and sister Lorraine Roberge of Portland; numerous cousins, nieces, nephews and step-grandchildren.

No memorial service is scheduled due to Covid concerns; condolences may be sent to the family at 1541 E. 60th Place, Tulsa OK 74105.

Barbara Anne Roberts, 63

Barbara Anne Roberts, 63, of Whitefish, died Sept. 2, 2021, at the Whitefish Care and Rehab.

A graveside service will be held 10 a.m., Tuesday, Sept. 7, at Glacier Memorial Gardens.

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

Brandon Eric Roberts



Brandon or known to some as "Brando," was born in the fall of 1976 in Kalispell as the second child of Beth and Danny. He joined his big brother Ryan and eight years later, almost to the day, his sister Brittney came along. From that point on he was quick to remind everyone that he was now the middle child. Even so, he was an incredibly loving brother and enjoyed hanging out with his siblings. Throughout his childhood Brandon's sense of humor and easygoing personality brought delight to anyone who was around him. In school he was voted "funniest kid" and was extremely well-liked by all his peers.

In the spring of 1995, Brandon graduated from Flathead High School and married Corylene, a girl he had known since childhood. In November of that same year they wel-

comed their first child, Hayden. Two years later their daughter Emilee was born, completing their family.

Brandon soon learned that it would take discipline and hard work to provide for his young family and went to work for Roberts' Logging. After many years working for the family business, he decided to take a leap of faith and ventured out to start his own concrete business, Fox Foundations. He learned the trade by working alongside his older brother in high school. Always known for being an extremely hard worker, he was never willing to give up on his dream of being his own boss even up to his death on Nov. 15, 2021.

As a fifth generation Flathead Valley resident, Brandon truly appreciated where he was born and raised. Throughout his life, Brandon always took time to enjoy floating the river and being in the woods surrounded by the beauty of the mountains. He loved to go fishing with his buddies, hunting with his uncles, camping with family up at Hungry Horse Reservoir and going to Missoula to cheer on the Griz.

The past few years of his life he shared many happy adventures with his wife, Alli. He loved their home and enjoyed the peace and tranquility it gave him. The two of them loved to watch sunsets from their deck, listen to music and were constantly planning on more adventures together.

Brandon was one of a kind with a heart of gold. He was quick to make

friends with his sense of humor, his contagious laugh and for a smile that could light up a room. He always prided himself for giving the best hugs and made sure to say, "No one else could do it better and that's a fact." We will miss those hugs, the funny stories he told, and his megawatt smile. The memories we have of him will be cherished for Brandon will always be loved and will remain in our hearts forever.

Brandon is survived by his wife, Alli; children, Hayden and Emilee Roberts; parents, Beth Tkachyk and Danny (Shirley) Roberts; his siblings, Ryan (Billie) Roberts and Brittney (Jesse) Johnson; along with several aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews.

A celebration of life will be held at 4 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 8, at the Elks Lodge.

Herb Lee Roberts, 47



Herb Lee Roberts, "Home Run Herbie," age 47, of Kalispell, passed away peacefully in his sleep June 27, 2021.

He was born Oct. 14, 1973, to Richard and Gloria Roberts. There is not one single word that can describe Herb and the kind gentle soul that he was. He loved anything to do with the outdoors, watching NASCAR races, riding his Harley, and spending time with his grandchildren and family.

He is survived by his mother Gloria Sauerbier; daughter Illyssa and her husband Brent

Thompson; sons Jay Kaufman, and Colten and Brayden Boyle; granddaughters Journey and Edna Thompson; grandson Silas Thompson; sisters Thelma (Randy) Brandt, Lyda (Mike) White, Helen (Layne) Kirkland, and Connie (Luke) Finkelstine; brothers Melvin (Nancy) Roberts, Richard Roberts, Bill Roberts, and Ray Roberts; along with numerous

nieces, nephews, and great-nieces and nephews. Herb will be greatly missed and loved by all that knew him.

Herb is preceded in death by his father Richard W. Roberts.

A graveside service will be held July 10

at 1 p.m. at Lonepine Cemetery in Bigfork, followed by a celebration of life at 4 p.m. at the Marion Fire Department. Buffalo Hill Funeral and Crematory is caring for the family.

Patricia Ellen (Personett) Roberts, 79

Patricia Ellen ^{PA7} (Personett) Roberts, 79, passed away on May 27, 2021, at her home in Columbia Falls.

Patricia was born on Aug. 19, 1941, in Tacoma, Washington, to Ernie and Evelyn (FiField) Goslee.

She graduated from Columbia Falls High School and went on to earn a bachelor's degree in teaching from Rocky Mountain College.

She learned early in life that if you study and work hard you can achieve your goals. She



^{13 June 2021} raised two daughters and touched many lives during her teaching career.

She enjoyed bingo and spending time with her family.

She was preceded in death by brothers, Robert Personett and James Personett; sister, Kathy Graham; nephew, Tom Personett; and granddaughter, Cassandra Rhine.

Patricia is survived by daughters, Trisha (Brad) James and Arista (Dan) Role; sisters, Peggy Colby and Betty Reynolds; brother, Rusty Personett; grandchildren, Heather Rhine-Nace (Tiffany Rhine-Nace), Samantha (Les) Weber, Ayden Role, Brandon Role, Amber James (Jessica James); and great-grandson, Syllas Rhine-Nace.

Services will be held at a later date.

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

Darren Price Robertson, 51

Darren Price Robertson, 51, died May 27, 2021, at his home in Hungry Horse.

He is survived by his father Dan Robertson, and mother Kathy (Mason) Richwine.

No services are planned at this time.

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

David Garth Robertson, 83

^{PA7} "If you eat popcorn, it will give you dandruff" I believed this well into my 20s and is just one example of dad's ridiculous sense of humor. His stories were so well spun, he'd be wealthy if this were still a profession. He would sneak away with us and get chocolate malts when we were little and say "don't tell your mom," and sing Neil Diamond to cheer us up. I always knew I could find him at the end of the day somewhere around the house reading a book. If you didn't know David Robertson, you missed out!

David Garth Robertson was born on March 31, 1938. On Saturday, Sept. 11, 2021, he passed away at the age of 83, one day after the 63rd anniversary to his wife Kathy.



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^{19 Sept 2021} Dave was a proud parent of three children, eight grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren. Dave spent his life with his high school sweetheart, often traveling the world, experiencing the opera in Italy, Shakespeare in the UK, museums in St. Petersburg, Russia, Mt. Fuji in Japan and Edinburgh Castle in Scotland, Munich, Germany, and more. Creating lifelong friendships in countries all over the world, his friends stayed close throughout his life.

Dave was born in Shelby, Montana, to

Alexander and Verdella Robertson. He graduated from Whitefish High in 1956 and received his degree in business from the University of Montana in Missoula. Dave spent his career in the field of metallurgy, with a focus on titanium. He was known for his work in Russia, for the donation of life-saving medical supplies to their country, and for his presence with the International Titanium Association. Dave loved to sail, fly, golf and ski, both here in the states and in his travels abroad. He was known for his engaging storytelling, quick wit, and his passion for telling a good (or bad) joke. When he wasn't traveling for work, you could find him on the ski run with his wife

working for Ski Patrol.

His father, Alexander, an Irish immigrant, his mother, Verdella, and his brother Denny preceded Dave in death.

He is survived by his wife Kathy, his three children, Lorraine, Michael and Robyn, and his two sisters Arlen and Kathy.

"A limb has fallen from the family tree, that says please don't grieve for me. Remember the best times, the laughter and song. The good life I lived when I was strong." (unknown author)

In lieu of a funeral service, the family will hold a celebration of life in the early summer of next year, 2022.

Please visit the Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home website www.jgfuneralhome.com to share your condolences.

Janet Robertson, 88

PAB 5 June 2021

Janet Robertson passed away June 1, 2021.

Janet Lee Sipe was born April 17, 1933, to Blanche M. and Robert C. Sipe in Albany, Oregon. She graduated in 1951 from Albany High School, and from the University of Oregon in 1955. She was married to Bill Robertson from 1974 until his passing in 2004.

Janet was a longtime resident of Kalispell. She enjoyed hiking around Glacier Park and partaking in daily early morning walks around Conrad Cemetery. She served on the Altar Guild at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church and was active in the Dahlia Society. Until she moved to Albany to be near her children in 2017, she maintained a beautiful dahlia display in her



yard off Highway 93 across from Buffalo Hill Golf Course that was enjoyed

by many driving by. Surviving are her three sons, Robert Forrest Reid, Richard Monroe Reid and Roger Harmon Reid II, together with their spouses Shelley, Liisa and Debbie, and her grandchildren Nathan, his spouse Erica Remington, Rhyan, Hannah and Josie.

In addition to her husband, her parents and brother Elliott Sipe predeceased her.

The family is remembering Janet privately and there are no plans for a public memorial.

Phyllis M. Robinson, 82

Phyllis M. Robinson, 82, of Columbia Falls, died August 20, 2021.

She is survived by her husband Al Vega and daughter Alexandra Vega.

No services are scheduled.

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

Richard T. Robinson, 78

Richard T. Robinson, 78, of Marion, died May 18, 2021, at his home. Services are pending. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Thomas Lockhart Robinson, 83

Thomas Lockhart Robinson, 83, of Bigfork, died Sept. 30, 2021 at Logan Health Medical Center. A private family burial will be held. Interment will be at the Missoula State Veterans Cemetery. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family,

Cathryn Jean Robocker, 98

Cathryn Jean Robocker, 98, of Kalispell, died Saturday, June 26, 2021.

A celebration of life is being planned for a later date. Arrangements are under the care of Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home and Crematory.

Douglas Dewayne Rogers, 75

PAB 13 Oct 2021

Douglas Dewayne Rogers passed away Sept. 14, 2021, at age 75, at home in Columbia Falls.



He was preceded in death by his son Paul



Rogers, and his grandson Quinton Rogers.

He is survived by his wife Gwendolyn Rogers, daughter Jennifer Winters and spouse Andy, grandchildren Allison Rogers, Kassandra and Wade Winters, Presley and Paige Knoke, Stepson Robert Knoke and spouse Michelle, Daniel Frasier and family and Kimberly Nyberg and family, along with many extended family members and many friends he considered family.

He served his country in the Marines as well as the Army Reserves. After his military service

he worked for the U.S. Forest Service in Oregon until his retirement in 2006, which is when he moved to the Flathead Valley to be near his new granddaughter and family. Since moving to the valley he was a volunteer with the Somers Fire Hall and anything having to do with children and the great outdoors activities.

As with Douglas's wishes, his ashes will be spread in the mountains and waterways that he loved to hunt and fish.

In lieu of funeral services and to honor Douglas's giving character, we ask that you make a donation to the Mule Deer Foundation children's table, Flathead Valley Walleye youth program, 524 Parkway Drive, Kalispell, MT 59901, or the Flathead Valley Marines at www.FlatheadMarines.com in his name.

Bobbi Ann Rockford, 70

Bobbi Ann Rockford, 70, of Columbia Falls, died Sunday July 11, 2021, at Logan Health Medical Center in Kalispell.

A celebration of life is being planned. Darlington Cremation and Burial Service is caring for the family.

Mamie Lillian Chabot Nelson Rogers, 101

PA 9 30 May 2021
Mamie passed away May 25, 2021, at the age of 101, at her home in Rollins. Mamie was born in Fort Benton on June 4, 1919, to Louis Chabot and Mary Jane "Minnie" Goodrich. She was named by her 3-year-old brother Louie, after her deceased sister Mamie Fern. Upon seeing her, Louie exclaimed, "Mamie came back!" The family moved to Kalispell and Mamie graduated from Flathead County High School in 1937.

She married Glenn C. Nelson in 1938. They went to California during the war to work in the shipyards. Mamie worked on the refrigeration ships, while Glenn served overseas in the navy. After the war, they returned to Montana and settled in Rollins, where she spent the rest of her life. They had two sons, Loren born in 1945 and Marvin born in 1948. Glenn died in 1961, and she married Charles Rogers in 1966. Charles died in 2005.

Mamie was very active



in the Rollins community, belonging to many clubs and organizations.

She owned the Rollins Store and Post Office for many years and retired after spending 20 years as the Rollins postmistress. She was a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles Auxiliary no. 234 for 76 years.

Mamie liked to stay busy. Her favorite project was making dolls to donate to charity. She felt that every girl should have a doll to love. She also enjoyed riding horses, bowling, traveling in her RV, tending her orchard and garden, and spending time with her family and friends. In her quieter moments, she enjoyed crossword puzzles, reading, quilting and cribbage.

Mamie was preceded in death by her parents, sisters L.C. Catherine and Mamie Fern, broth-

ers Victor and Louis, first husband Glenn, son Marvin, grandson Christopher, second husband Charles, and stepsons James and Patrick Rogers.

She is survived by her son Loren, granddaughters Jennifer J. Nelson and husband Gabe Anderson, and Christine L. Sinks and husband Michael Sinks. Mamie loved her five great-grandchildren, Kylie, Kaden, Claire, Adam and Thomas, and stepgrandchildren Uri, Tye and Adi.

In lieu of flowers, please donate to your favorite charity.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. on June 4 at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home, with burial to follow at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

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

Rogene E. Rogers, 68

PA 4 29 Nov 2021
Rogene E. Rogers, age 68, of Kalispell, was welcomed into the arms of Jesus on Tuesday, Nov. 23, while surrounded by the love of her family at Logan Health Hospital in Kalispell after a courageous fight with cancer.



Wisconsin (1984-1989), and Arlington, Nebraska (1989-2000). Upon retirement,

Funeral services will be 10:30 a.m. Friday, Dec. 3, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Arlington, Nebraska, with the Rev. Rick Kanoy and the Rev. Jason Duley officiating. Burial to follow at God's Acre Cemetery. Visitation will be 5-7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 2, at Reckmeyer-Moser Funeral Home in Arlington, and one hour prior to the service at the church. A memorial service is also scheduled for 11 a.m. Monday, Dec. 6., in Bemidji, Minnesota, at Trinity Lutheran Church. An additional memorial service will be scheduled at a later date for her friends in Kalispell to be held at the Trinity Lutheran Church there.

Rogene Ellen (Hornickel) Rogers was born July 4, 1953, in Ord, Nebraska, to Lores LaVerne and Velma Augusta (Bockstadter) Hornickel. She lived and attended school in Ord through her graduation from Ord High School in 1971.

Rogene met her husband, Michael, while he was serving St. John Lutheran Church in Ord, Nebraska, where they were also united in marriage on June 26, 1977. Following Michael's pastoral calls to serve, they moved to Middletown, Connecticut, after they were married (1977-1978); Milwaukee, Wisconsin, where both of her sons were born (1978-1984); Wisconsin Dells,

they moved to Bemidji, Minnesota, where Michael passed away in 2011 (2000-2016); then in 2016 Rogene, along with her son Luke, moved to Kalispell to be close to the mountains.

Rogene enjoyed cooking, baking, crafting and quilting. She held various jobs and business ventures throughout her life, including running her own craft store, "The Parson's Wife," in Wisconsin Dells. She enjoyed selling her handmade goods at craft shows, teaching quilting classes, baking pies and Christmas cookies, entertaining, decorating, and most of all, being a wonderful mother to her two boys. She touched many people by her kindness, generosity, and her strong faith. She will be missed by many.

She is survived by her two sons, Luke Rogers of Kalispell and Ethan (Katie) Rogers of Bemidji, Minnesota; sister Ronda Tucker, and brother Roger (Amy) Hornickel both of Ord, Nebraska.

She is preceded in death by her husband, the Rev. Dr. Michael Rogers, parents Lores and Velma Hornickel, and brother Randy.

In lieu of flowers, memorials are suggested to the quilting Thimble Club at Trinity Lutheran Church in Kalispell or any charity related to the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod.

Matthew Nathan Ross, 39

PA 4 July 2021
Matthew Nathan Ross completed his earthly journey June 6, 2021, at the age of 39.

Matthew was born June 23, 1981, in Kalispell to Bob and Marria Ross. He attended Trinity Lutheran School and graduated from Flathead High School in 2000. Matthew grew up exploring the woods and meadows near his home in Shelter Valley, south of Kalispell. He enjoyed hunting and summer weekends with his family on Bitterroot Lake, boating, skiing and fishing. He was a member of Faith Covenant Presbyterian Church.

In 2001, Mathew moved to Hanford, California, where he worked as a caregiver. In 2004 he returned to Kalispell. He worked in various construction jobs and as a caregiver for Flathead Industries. In 2013 Matthew moved into Immanuel Lutheran Skilled Nursing where he was loved by both residents and staff.

He is survived by his grandmother, JoAnne Ross of Kalispell, his father Bob Ross and wife Margaret of Granger, Texas, brother Paul and his wife Amy, children Laura, and Jacob of Sioux Center, Iowa, sister AnneMare Poynter, husband Sean and son



Connor of Missoula, and brother Ian, his wife Emily and daughter Kyrianna, of

Peshastin, Washington. He also had many aunts, uncles and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his mother Marria, and his grandfather Robert W. Ross.

Matthew and his glowing smile will be greatly missed by his family and friends, but we take comfort in knowing that because of the grace of Jesus Christ and Matthew's faith in the resurrection that he is no longer limited by his earthly body.

The family would like to thank Matthew's caregivers at Immanuel and hospice for the excellent care he received.

A service of remembrance will be held July 18 at 3 p.m. at Faith Covenant Church, located at 611 3rd Ave E., Kalispell.

Memorials may be directed to the Immanuel Foundation, The Huntington's Disease Society of America, or Gideon's International.

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

Kenneth James Ross, 80

PAG 1 Aug 2021
Kenneth James Ross, 80, passed into the loving arms of his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, on July 25, 2021, at St. Peter's Hospital, Helena, after a battle with Covid. He was surrounded by his wife and two daughters.



for Glacier Bible Camp Sunday night service for the past two summers.

Ken was preceded

in death by his parents, Theodore and Esther Ross; and his first wife Marilyn.

He is survived by his wife, Patricia Ross, of Helena; two daughters, Jeanine Conway (Nick), of Converse, Texas, grandchildren Kyle Conway, of Elk Park, Minnesota, and Michaela Conway of Converse; and Denise Walker (Tony), of Houston, grandchildren Carolyn Townsend of Fayetteville, Arkansas, Eastman (Sonny) Townsend of Houston; stepson, Michael Houghton (Wendy), grandchildren Elizabeth, Killian and Ted Houghton of Belgrade; and grandson Seth Houghton of Helena. He is also survived by his three siblings, Betty Nolan, sister, Kalispell; brother Pastor Robert (Roberta) Ross, Kalispell; sister Norma (Lowell) Frederick of Twin Lakes, Idaho, and numerous nieces and nephews.

Family will receive friends and a viewing is scheduled from 4 to 6 p.m. on Aug. 4 at Anderson Stevenson Wilke Funeral Home, 3750 N. Montana Ave., Helena. Funeral services are scheduled for 11 a.m. on Friday, Aug. 27, at Helena First Assembly, 2210 Dodge Street, Helena. Interment and public graveside service will be 2:30 p.m. on Aug. 28 at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery in Kalispell.

Please visit www.aswfuneralhome.com to leave a condolence to the family or to share a favorite memory of Ken.

Ken was born July 11, 1941, in Kalispell to Theodore Ross and Esther (Rasmussen) Ross. He was the youngest of four siblings. Ken attended Flathead County Public schools until he was 15 when his parents bought the Polebridge Store and he completed his high school through the American School of Chicago. Some of his fondest childhood memories were of attending Glacier Bible Camp, Hungry Horse, playing as a young child in the sawdust floor of the Tabernacle; praying around the altar; and participating in camp activities every year. He never missed camp and was called into the ministry by God when he was 15 years old. For a young man who loved hunting, fishing and all outdoor activities, Polebridge and Glacier National Park were a dream come true. Logan Pass and the Going-to-the Sun Road were never to be missed annual drives for Ken's entire life.

After graduating high school, Ken attended North Central Bible College in Minneapolis. While attending college, he met his future wife, Marilyn. They were married after his graduation in 1964 and were married 48 and 1/2 years before Marilyn preceded him in death. They have two daughters, Jeanine and Denise.

Matthew Nathan Ross, 39

Matthew Nathan Ross, 39, of Kalispell, died Sunday, June 6, 2021.

Services are pending at this time.

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

Bernice Eileen Rost, 85

Bernice Eileen Rost, 85, of Bigfork, died at her home on June 2, 2021.

A graveside service will be held at 2 p.m. June 14 at Lone Pine Cemetery in Bigfork. The Rev. Ron Pierce will officiate. Darlington Cremation and Burial Service is caring for the family.

Debbie A. Rossol, 63

Debbie A. Rossol, 63, of Kalispell, died on June 25, 2021, at Logan Health Care.

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

Ken and Marilyn started pastoring in Columbus, Montana, and served five congregations over their 43 years of pastoral ministry, including Columbus, Shelby, Glasgow, Havre and Helena. After retiring from full-time ministry in 2007, they served several churches as interim pastors in Montana and two years pastoring RV chapels in Yuma, Arizona.

In 2015, Ken and Patricia (Braun) Ross were married in Yuma where they have continued the RV chapel ministry through April 2021 at Gila Mountain RV Resort and Shangri La RV Chapels. Ken also served as chapel minister

Carla Ann (Just) Roth, 74

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Carla Ann (Just) Roth, 74, of Columbia Falls, died at her home on May 13, 2021.

Carla was born to Sidney and Edith (Tatman) Just on Nov. 2, 1946, in Mankato, Minnesota. She was the youngest of three children. Carla graduated from Mankato High School in 1964 and Mankato State College in 1968 and pursued a career in teaching special education. She loved being a teacher, but soon found that she loved being a wife and mother even more.

Carla married James Donald Roth on Oct. 20, 1973. They had four children, 10 grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren. She was a devoted mother and grandmother and filled the lives of each of them with her own special blend of love and encouragement. Ever an ardent supporter of her family, she didn't miss an opportunity to attend a game, concert or milestone event. She had an incredible gift for making holidays magical and would cook and bake enough to feed an army every time. She never thought she had enough lights on her Christmas tree.

One of the bravest women we knew, Carla loved camping, traveling, and riding roller-coasters with her grandchildren. After beating breast cancer in the early 2000s, she went skydiving at Lost Prairie, Montana, near her beloved lake house. She was incredibly proud of that feat and would show the video to anyone willing to watch it. She loved her motor-home and traveled often with her children and then her grandchildren. She never turned down an adventure.

Carla was preceded in death by her parents, her sisters Gayle (Just) Schulte and Katie (Just) Lindholm, and her nephew Brian Lindholm. We imagine her arrival back into their arms was a joyous event.

She is survived by her husband, Jim; children Jeff, Lisa, Nikki and Mike; grandchildren Jennifer, Brianna, Brandon, Nicholas, Natalie, Cosette, Laishia, Zakerey and Isaiah; great grandchildren Dante, Ziggy Joe and Rhett; and multiple nieces and nephews. We love and miss her more than words can express.

A funeral Mass will be celebrated today, May 18, at 11 a.m. at St. Richard Catholic Church in Columbia Falls. A viewing was held Monday, May 17, from 6 to 8 p.m. at Columbia Mortuary.

Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls is caring for the family.

Carolyn 'Carrie' Misener-Roselli, 102

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We lost this beautiful person on April 28, 2021, at the ripe young age of 102.



Carrie was born April 8, 1919, to Theodore and Martha Gigrich in Havre. She welcomed three siblings: Lucille "Sue," Virginia "Gin" and Theodore "Ted" to the fold. After growing up on a farm, Carrie graduated high school and headed to nurse's training. After two years, due to unforeseen circumstances, she left nursing and became a live-in Nanny. During this time she met the love of her life Edward "Eddie" Misener. They married in 1940, and had a near perfect marriage until Eddie's death in 1974. They were blessed with three children, Shirley, Linda and Jim. Many adventures were had during their 34 years together: Shipbuilder's wife in San Francisco, owner of Ed and Vern's bar in Bigfork, Montana, owner of Kings Drive-in Theater in Hanford, California, and ranch

California.

After Eddie's death Carrie moved to Turlock, California, and began a new adventure, as the meals program manager at Senior Opportunity Service Program. She made many friends while working there, which was a given, as anyone who met Carrie fell immediately in love. One person who fell head over heels was Philip "Phil" Roselli. After a 13 year chase by Phil, they were married and ended up moving to Montana where most of her children were living. After a few years, many of Carrie's immediate family ended up living in the same town. Friday nights were special get-togethers for family. There was no place more fun than a night at Carries! This continued after Phil's death, and after she moved to Wel-Life assisted living community. She

owner of Misener Ranch in Delhi, California. Retirement came and they moved to Modesto, enjoyed her friends and the staff at Wel-Life, winning bingo more times than her friends liked, listening to live music, going to church, playing UpWords, doing her word puzzles and helping anyone who needed it.

Carrie was predeceased by husbands Eddie Misener and Phil Roselli, daughter Shirley, brother Ted, sister Gin, grandsons Donnie and Ron and great granddaughter Amy.

Carrie is survived by her sister Lucille, daughter Linda, son Jim (Diane), granddaughters Vicki (Dan), Della (Tak), Susie (Pat), Karen and Lisa (Damon), grandsons Randy and Eddie, 16 great grandchildren, 20 great-great grandchildren, and numerous nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, charitable donations would be appreciated to any veterans program, or charity of your choice.

Services will be held at 1 p.m. June 26 at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home, 1890 U.S. 93, Kalispell.

Carrie will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved her!

Donna Roth

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Donna passed away peacefully Wednesday, July 7, 2021, at BeeHive Homes in Kalispell with her sons, daughters-in-law and grandchildren by her side.

Born in 1935 to Harry Roland and Ora Belle Evans in Caldwell, Idaho, Donna grew up with sisters Elsie Waterman, Faye Guay and brother Ron Evans. Donna graduated from Caldwell High School and attended the College of Idaho.

Donna married Urban L. Roth Esq. in 1965 and is survived by sons Bryan Roth, Brett Roth, Bradley Roth, Patrick Roth, Urban Roth Jr. and Hans Roth.

She was preceded in death by her parents, sister Elsie, and husband and beloved daughter Cynthia Roth.

Donna had an extensive work career, including executive secretary to JH Gibson, president of Caxton Printers Ltd., and office manager of the



Caldwell Chamber of Commerce. Donna worked with motion picture studios

to bring Western movie stars in for appearances in the U.S. and Canadian rodeo circuits. She knew Clint Eastwood long before "Hang 'Em High" was in theaters. She was a charter member of Zonta International Women's Business Organization. She was also manager of the Klothes Kloset in Butte, modeled clothes and hosted a local TV show. Imagine, a fashion TV show in Butte in the '60s! In Butte, Donna was very active in volunteer work including Junior League, setting up libraries in the local elementary schools and moderating the Junior League holiday fashion shows. Donna

supported the local parochial schools by organizing Butte Central's first Champagne Art Auction, working on Central's education foundation board and co-chaired the initial three Christmas bazaars in Butte. Donna also sat on the board of directors of the Civic Center. Her volunteer work included Montana Easter Seals Society; she enjoyed working with children and taught CCD Head Start and organized religious retreats for junior high and high school students. Donna also led a support group, Montana Teen Intervention, for at-risk teens. Her morning 'Pep Step' walking group was famous around Butte with many joining and quickly dropping out after realizing the core members talked just as fast as they walked, leaving all others out of breath with no words edgewise.

Donna retired with

her husband Urban in 1993 on Flathead Lake, enjoying skiing water/snow, sailing, tennis, golf and hiking in the Mission Mountains and Glacier National Park.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, Sept. 25, from 11a.m. to noon at Immaculate Conception Church, 1002 4th Ave E., Polson. A memorial luncheon will follow the service at 1 p.m. at East Shore Smoke House Bar and Grill, 35103 Hwy. 35 Polson, just north of Finley Point Road.

Darlington Cremation and Burial Service is caring for Donna and her family.

Richard Brent Rough, 72

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It is with profound sadness that the family of Richard Brent Rough announce his unexpected passing on the ninth of September 2021 at the age of 72 years.



Richard was born in Pocatello, Idaho, on June 13, 1949, the son of the late Army Major Joseph and Carmen (Barkdull) Rough.

He is survived by his spouse and best friend of 45 years, Pamela Ann, and his three children, Jodi, Erin and Brent. Grandchildren include Jesse McGillen, Brooke McGillen, Chance Meyers, Avrey, Hailey and Evan Mele. Great-grandchildren include Liam, Amaralynn and Olivia. Richard is also survived by his sister Stephanie and Gene Klamm, and many cousins, nieces and nephews.

Richard spent his childhood as a military brat traveling the world and living in interesting places. He graduated from Oxon Hill High School in Maryland in 1968. He played football and wrestled and was a force to be reckoned with. While wrestling he participated in many tournaments. In 1970 he served his country in the U.S. Army as a field artillery operator.

Richard was an old hippie at heart, loved good music and was a strong advocate for helping others. He had a great love for nature and was an avid outdoorsman. He had a great interest in wolves and stories of Native American culture and Indian heritage. Richard was an avid pool player, winning various trophies and tournaments and making many good

friends along the way. He was a lifelong Seahawk and Griz fan. He enjoyed yelling at the TV while watching the games and rooting for his teams.

Richard married the love of his life Pam in a small ceremony at the home of his parents in Hamilton, Montana, on Oct. 2, 1976. Together they operated the Ravalli County animal shelter in Hamilton and helped many homeless animals find forever homes. He studied at University of Montana, earning his bachelor's degree in education and English in 1978 and studied counseling at Montana State University-Billings, graduating with a master's degree in science - special education in 1985.

In 1986, the Rough family settled in Kalispell. Richard worked tirelessly to support his growing family, dedicating years of his life to helping others. For 27 years he was the regional program officer for Senior and Long-term Care for the state of Montana - Department of Public Health and Human Services. He developed the Service Animal program for the state of Montana, providing service animals for seniors and disabled individuals.

During retirement, Richard spent many hours walking his dogs

in the peaceful nature of Conrad Cemetery. Richard and Pam thoroughly enjoyed tending their gardens and fruit trees, creating a sanctuary at home. His plentiful garden was shared with family, friends and often donated to those in need.

Richard was preceded in death by his parents Joseph and Carmen, brothers Joseph (Bam) and Steven, and the many animals he loved.

"How lucky I am to have something that makes saying goodbye so hard." — A.A. Milne.

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

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.

Ronald Larry Rousey

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A celebration of life for Ronald Larry Rousey, 67, who died Sept. 6, 2019, will be held at 2 p.m. July 10 at the Swan Chapel in Swan Lake.

Arlene Jane Rowe, 82

Arlene Jane Rowe, 82, of Columbia Falls, died Sept. 28, 2021, at her home.

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

Steven Runser, 67

Steven Runser, 67, of Kalispell, died Oct. 11, 2021, at his home.

He is survived by his mother, Dorothy Merola.

No services are planned at this time.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Richard D. Russell, 73

Richard D. Russell, 73, passed away Oct. 19, 2021, at Logan Health Medical Center from Alzheimer's.

He was born Nov. 9, 1947, in Havre to Howard and Lorraine Russell.

Rich retired from the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation as a water rights specialist for the state of Montana.

He loved to camp, hunt and fish and, later in life, he became an avid, accomplished wood carver.

He is survived by his wife of 53 years, Linda



Russell; his granddaughter Kyndra Russell, his great-grandson Karson Wyatt,

along with many other beloved family and friends.

He was preceded in death by his son Robert Russell, his father and mother Howard and Lorraine Russell, and his brother Ray Russell.

There will be no services at this time.

Terrence Raymond Ryder Sr., 55

Terrence Raymond Ryder Sr., 55, of Kila, died Wednesday Aug. 18, 2021.

He is survived by his children, Cassandra Ryder, Terrence Raymond Ryder Jr., MacLean Ryder, Johnnyross Ryder, Janarae Ryder and Jacksonreed Ryder.

No local services are being planned.

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

Walter Arthur Ryder, 93

Walter Arthur Ryder, 93, of Boise, Idaho, passed away peacefully on Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 25, 2021, following a brief illness.

He was born on Dec. 17, 1927, to Walter Arthur Ryder Sr., and Effie Stuart Hurd Ryder, in Dalkena, Washington. At age 7 the family moved to Kalispell where he graduated from high school in 1946. He obtained a bachelor's in business administration at the University of Montana (at the time Montana State University) in Missoula, where he met the love of his life, Marion Louise Liggett, whom he married on Sept. 10, 1950, in Roundup, Montana. Together they raised four children, Jean, Dennis, Jan and Jim. During the Korean War, he was stationed in



Montana State University (at the time Montana State College) in Bozeman. From there the family moved in 1957 to Idaho Falls, Idaho, where he spent the next 35 years working as an analytical chemist at the Idaho National Engineering Laboratory before retiring. In 1991, he and his wife moved to Pocatello and subsequently to Boise, Idaho, in 2003, where he

enjoyed his retirement years traveling, reading, especially about science, astronomy and history, and playing with the grandkids. He was a kind and gentle man who, above all, loved his family and was especially devoted to his wife.

He is survived by his wife, Marion, of 71 years; children, Dennis (Anni) of Pleasanton, California, Jan of North Attleborough, Massachusetts, and James (Anita) of Boise; grandchildren, Chris, Amanda and Daniel; sister, Joey Hatton, of Kalispell; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his daughter Jean, brothers Norman and Spencer, and sisters Eppie Slater and Verla Cherubini.

Burial arrangements will be private.