

David Zauner, 86

David Zauner, 86, passed away in Helena, June 4, 2023. He was born 1936 in Dickenson, N.D., to John and Margaret (Polensky) Zauner. He graduated from Flathead County High School in 1954, and married Rosalie Tollefson in 1958.

He had Main Street Conoco until 1978 and fulfilled his dream of having his own shop on his farm, on Airport Road, until his retirement in 2002. He was a 45-year member of the Fraternal Order of the Eagles.

David was preceded in death by his parents,

his brother, John, and sister-in-law, Mary Anna Zauner.

David is survived by his wife, Rosie; brother, Fred (Shirley) Zauner; cousin, Kathy (Dwight) Shurtleff; children, Karla (Tom) Dedman, Rich (Kerri) Zauner and Karen Zauner; and grandchildren, Taylor, Brayden, Bryson, Grace, Jack; as well as numerous nieces and nephews, and special neighbors and friends.

Thank you to all of his caregivers, especially his cardiologist Dr. Sarah Fenton.

Per Dave's request, there will be no service.

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Lori Zieske, 61

Lori Zieske, 61, was a beautiful, loving, caring wife and wonderful mother. After 18 months her long and difficult battle with esophageal cancer came to an end on July 1, 2023. She was tough and is still very much loved.



work and always had a story to tell when she got home. She was truly happy

there.

She was born on July 20, 1961, to Bonnie and Norman Klindera in Northridge, California, which was three years to the day after her sister Denise. Just don't bring up how their mother used to dress them the same.

She loved kitties, flowers, plants, cooking and books. Especially books, she absolutely loved to read. She read to Zack since the day he was born, and he now shares her passion for reading. She was never without a book or more recently her Kindle.

When she was three years old they all moved to Reno, Nevada. Her brightness and love of life was felt all over the Washoe Valley.

There was always one in her hands or in her purse.

Everyone loved her the minute they met her. She worked in several casinos, Lakeridge Golf Course, Silver Wings Air, Butler Aviation, and many restaurants.

During her cancer, when she was resting a lot, she would read a book a day. So when you are relaxing with a good book, please look up at Lori because she will be wondering what you are reading.

In 1984 she met Tom Zieske in Reno, and they got married in 1988. They had a son Zachary (Zack) in 1989. Immediately the little guy with big wild hair became the love of her life.

She is survived by her husband, Tom; her son, Zack (Caitlin) Zieske in Kalispell; her sister, Denise Klindera of Denver, Colorado; her sister-in-laws, Sue (Randall) Stevenson and Patti Liebig both

Tom was from Montana, and they would go on vacations all over the state; Great Falls (to visit Tom's family), Yellowstone, Polson, and finally to Glacier National Park, where her whole world changed. She fell in love with Glacier and had to immediately buy the bumper sticker "Glacier is my Happy Place".

of Great Falls, along with many nieces and nephews in Arizona, California, Colorado, and Texas, and last but by far not least her new 10 month old baby fluff ball kitten, Max, and right now Mr. Max rules the nest.

In 1991 they moved from Reno to Denver for Tom's job and of course she made a hundred friends right away. She was a wonderful stay at home mom and volunteered at Zack's school for years.

She is preceded in death by her mom, Bonnie Butler; step-father, Larry Butler of Reno, Nevada; her father, Norman; her wonderful younger brother, Kevin Butler of Reno, Nevada; and her cats, Pumpkin, Oreo, and Jackson who are surely waiting for her with open arms and paws.

In 1998 Tom's job finally had a position open in Kalispell, right next to you know where, Glacier Park, and off they went. Lori and Tom went to Glacier Park, her "Happy Place", many many times over the years. It always brought her so much joy and they made so many memories there.

She was always there for all of us and will be missed so very very much. Life will seem a little less bright without her smile, her laughter, and her ever ready hugs.

In Kalispell she got a job as a waitress at Buffalo Hill Terrace. loved her job, her co-workers and the residents. She made many more close friends at

Instead of flowers, she has a garden full, please send any donations to an esophageal cancer research program or your local animal rescue in Lori's name.

Instead of a formal service, an informal celebration of life will be held at Buffalo Hill Terrace on July 29, from 3 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Sandra 'Sandy' Zontek, 82

Our mother, sister, and grandmother, Sandra "Sandy" Zontek, passed away on Nov. 11, 2023, surrounded by family, after a long struggle with rheumatoid arthritis and related complications. She was nine days shy of her 83rd birthday.

She was a loving mother and a caring and devoted grandmother. Her love was shown through family gatherings that always involved delicious food and crafts for the grandkids and fun for everyone. Her memory will continue with each of the family recipes that will be prepared and shared in her mem-



ory. Her notorious pies will be missed by all who tried them. She was a talented artist, in sculpture, drawing, and painting, and she maintained her love of art right up to the end. Her many pieces of artwork will continue to give joy as they are displayed in our homes.

This love of art resulted in Sandy's pursuit of a master's degree in art therapy. With this degree she became a talented and dedicated therapist

and worked with children in both clinical and school settings.

She will always be lovingly remembered for her kindness, generous spirit, and her stubborn independence. In that spirit, if you would like to make a donation in her name, please do so to your favorite children's charity.

She is survived by her husband, Ed Sr., her sister, Sharon Cote; her son, Cris Jensen (Tania); stepsons, Ed and Ken Zontek (Trish); and stepdaughter, Shawn Shanahan (Ted); as well as her grandchildren, Andi, Sammy, Kurt, Nicholas, Jacob, Amaya,

Zach, and Jason.

She was preceded in death by her parents, James and Annabelle Shull; her first husband, Buck Jensen; sisters, Pat and Barbara; and her grandson, Joshua Shanahan.

At her request, there will be no funeral service. The family will gather at an appropriate time to spread her ashes in places in nature that held special meaning to her.

Brookside Funeral Home is caring for the family. Memories and condolences may be shared at www.brooksidefuneral.com.

Thomas E. Zundel, 75

Thomas E. Zundel passed away Oct. 29, 2023.

Tom fought a long battle with cancer from Agent Orange.

Tom was raised in Mitchell, South Dakota. He was a state wrestler. He attended college for a year and then joined the Army. He was proud to be a Screaming Eagle 101st or 502. He had been awarded numerous medals as well as the Purple Heart.

After returning home he married Darlene (Memoree) Welliver. They were married 51 years and raised three sons, Tim Zundel, Taj Zundel and Gordon Zundel.

Tom was owner and operator of Zees Custom Cabinets. He worked alongside his sons and they did both commercial and residential cabinets.

He had one granddaughter, Zoe Ra' Taj



Zundel; five grandsons, Kyler Zundel, Trystan Zundel, Topher Zundel, Tim Zundel and Cylus Stremel.

Tom

had several nieces and nephews.

Tom had an older brother, Bill Zundel and a niece, Dusti.

Tom loved his family dearly and he was dearly loved by friends and family.

Husband, father, friend you will be sorely missed. Sending all our love and memories with you, husband, father, grandfather, uncle. Until we meet again, rest in peace, my love.

A celebration of life is pending until a later date and notice.