

Verna C. Wabschall, 85

Verna C. Wabschall, 85, died Friday, June 19, 2009, at Renaissance House in Kalispell. She is survived by her three children, Dawn Waligorski of

Centralia, Wash., Jerry Wabschall of Kalispell, and Catherine Flem of Bigfork.

There are no services planned for Verna.

William F. Wagner, 86

William F. Wagner, 86, died Sunday, Nov. 29, 2009, at his home in Libby, from natural causes.

Survivors include his three children, Janel Cotter of Libby, Terry Heinrich of Phoenix, and Scott

Wagner of Colstrip.

A celebration of life will take place at the Cotter family home at 6 p.m. Friday, Dec. 4.

Arrangements are by Schnackenberg & Nelson & Vial Funeral Home in Libby.

Eunice Pearl Waite, 79

Eunice Pearl Waite, 79, passed away on Sunday, Aug. 16, 2009, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center in Kalispell. She was born on June 29, 1930, in Lockwood, Calif., to Otis Pearl and Martha Stiverson. She attended a one-room school in Lockwood and graduated from Billings Senior High School in Billings.

She married Ray Waite on Feb. 20, 1960, in Billings.

She loved to grow both vegetable and flower gardens. She also loved to sew, especially for her children and grandchildren.

She and Ray were foster parents for many years. She loved children and loved being around her children



and grandchildren. She loved to cook and being a homemaker. She was a member of St. Ignatius Catholic Church.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Otis and Martha; son, Jason Waite; a brother, Harry Stiverson; and a sister, Luella.

She is survived by her husband, Ray Waite, of Kalispell; three sons, Richard Brum of Dixon, James Waite of Billings, and William Waite of Hawaii; a daughter, Lynn Pomponio, of Deary, Idaho; two half sisters, Carol and Martha; 16 grandchildren; and 28 great-grandchildren.

There are no services planned at this time for Eunice.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for Eunice's family. You are invited to go to www.jgfuneralhome.com to view Eunice's guest book, offer condolences and share memories.

Laura J. Walbridge, 63

Laura J. Walbridge, 63, died Thursday, April 23, 2009, at her home in Troy.

Survivors include her husband, John Walbridge, of Troy; two daughters, Rose Maude Robbins of Sumner, Wash., and Theresa Owens of Kalispell; and

son, David Hake, of Troy.

Services will be at 1 p.m. Tuesday, April 28, at the Church of God in Troy. Visitation will be from 1 to 8 p.m. Monday, April 27, at the Schnackenberg and Nelson Funeral Home in Libby.

Iva Vera Waldenberg, 97

Iva Vera Waldenberg, 97, passed away on Friday, Oct. 9, 2009, of natural causes at the Brendan House in Kalispell.

She was born on March 23, 1912, in Belt, to Sam and Bette (Cook) Bright.

Iva was raised in many small towns across Montana. In October of 1936, at Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, she married William Waldenberg and they had two children, Sam and Judy. They lived in Great Falls.

In 1973, she moved to Kalispell to be closer to her children and grandchildren. In her retirement years she gifted many hours through the RSVP (Retired Senior Volunteer Program) program. She was even named Volunteer of the Year a couple of times, as well as the Senior Citizen of the Year in 2005. The highlight of her volunteerism was participating in the monthly birthday parties at Buffalo Terrace. Serving cake to the residents and working in the hospital gift shop was also a joy to her. She was also a lifelong member of the Royal Neighbors of America.

She spent a large amount of her free time raising a large garden, raising chickens and being with her family. She cherished the moments when her brother, Frank, and sisters, Weese, Ruby and Bette Jane, were all together.

She was very active in her parish, Risen Christ Catholic Church, as a Eucharistic minister and a volunteer.



She was also very active in the lives of her two granddaughters, Shelly and Stacey, and her six great-grandchildren, Chase, Brooke, Haiden, Brady, Keatin and Kynzie, that she loved with her whole heart.

Iva will be missed by her family and her smile and gentle touch will be forever in our hearts.

She was preceded in death by her husband; her parents; her brother and two sisters.

She is survived by her son, Sam Waldenberg, and his wife, Shirleen; her daughter, Judy Stack, and her husband, Tom; granddaughters, Shelly Christiaens and husband, Brian, and Stacey Mohl and husband, Dave; great-grandchildren, Chase, Brooke, Haiden, Brady, Keatin and Kynzie; two sisters, Ruby Waltari and Bette Jane Scott; as well as special friends, Lavine Heuscher and Marie Clements.

Mass of Christian Burial will be at 10:30 a.m. Monday at Risen Christ Catholic Church, with Father Rudolph Bullman as celebrant. Visitation will be from 5 p.m. to time for the rosary at 7 p.m. today, Oct. 11, in the Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Chapel. Burial will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 14, in the Mount Olivet Cemetery in Great Falls.

The family suggests that any memorial contributions be sent to Risen Christ Catholic Church, 65 W. Evergreen Dr., Kalispell, MT 59901; or to RSVP (Retired Senior Volunteer Program), 160 Kelly Road, Kalispell, MT 59901.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for Iva's family. You are invited to go to www.jgfuneralhome.com to offer condolences and sign Iva's guest book.

Richard W. Waldt Jr., 85

Richard W. Waldt Jr., passed away peacefully on Nov. 3, 2009, after an extended illness. He was born on July 18, 1924, in Washington, D.C., to Richard W. Waldt and Ingrid A. Waldt. He had a twin brother, Roy, and two sisters, Ingrid and Grace.

He met his wife and lifelong true love, Lucia H. Stutzenberger, while serving in post-World War II Germany. They were married on Aug. 30, 1948, and had three children over the years, Richard R., Ralph W. and Robin L. They in turn gave him six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Richard enlisted in the U.S. Army in 1941, and served with the Army Air Corps and later the U.S. Air Force for 30 years, ending his distinguished career on April 1, 1971. He served during the war in the Pacific Theater and in Europe. His service took him to several postings in Germany, and to various stateside postings, with the last assignment being Malmstrom AFB in Great Falls.

After retirement, he continued to work in Great Falls, but moved the family to Whitefish in June 1972, after falling in love with the Flathead during a summer visit the previous year. He worked in various capacities in the area, among which were the local Chevrolet dealership, Burlington Northern, and finally 11 years at Plum

Creek, after which he fully retired. At the time of his death he resided in Brendan House in Kalispell, where he had lived for seven years. It seems that everyone who knew him well, whether through work, friends or family, loved and respected him.

Richard loved his family fiercely, and was happiest spending time with them. He and Lucia loved country music, and for a time were a fixture on the dance floor at the Blue Moon, again known and loved by all.

Richard had a wonderful sense of humor, and when he laughed, everyone laughed with him. Those who knew him would tell you that he was a simple, humble, quiet man of the highest integrity. His dedication to Lucia was legendary. Truly for his family he was our hero, and the finest man we have ever known. We will dearly miss him.

Richard is survived by his two sons, Richard and Ralph; his grandchildren, Suzanne Colman, Richard L. Waldt, Ryan Nelson, Dawn Brelje, Spring Foley and Nikki Haack; and great-grandchildren, Breanna, Shaya, Brandon, Ashley, Devon and Asher.

A memorial service will be held at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 7, at the Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish, followed by interment at Glacier Memorial Gardens in Kalispell.

Chris Henry Wall, 54

Chris Henry Wall, 54, of Marion, died on Aug. 25, 2009, in Kalispell. Chris was born on Sept. 4, 1954, in Rupert, Idaho, to Luella and Speed Wall. He was the youngest of nine children.

Chris graduated from Minico High School in Rupert. After high school, he played in a band and wrote music. Chris said he wrote two songs for the Oakridge Boys and played back-up for them. This is unconfirmed and Chris loved to tell stories.

During this time, Chris laid brick and was a stone mason. This was to become his life's work along with hunting, fishing and playing the guitar.

Chris married Diane Poole and became a father to 2-year-old Nikki. To this union was also born a son,



Leon. They lived in Issaquah, Wash., for 10 years when they moved to Kalispell, where he worked for Masonry for Muller.

Chris was preceded in death by his mother and father; and one sister, Carma Wall.

Chris is survived by his daughter, Nikki Schreiber; son, Leon Wall; and two grandchildren, Makayla and Devin Schreiber. Also surviving him are his ex-wife, Diane Bailey; his sisters, Jeanette Webb, Myrna Grant, La Nelle Bacon and Wenda Catherman; his brothers, Gaymore Wall, Larry Wall and Rick Wall; as well as numerous friends and followers of "Cantankerous Chris" on B-98.

Cremation has taken place with a celebration of life being held at 3 p.m. today, Aug. 29, at Moose Crossing in Marion.

A special thank you from the family to all those who loved and cared for Chris throughout his illness.

Kathryn Korn 'Kay' Walterskirchen, 81

Kathryn Korn "Kay" Walterskirchen, 81, passed away Wednesday, Jan. 28, 2009, at her home in Kalispell. She was born Feb. 12, 1927, to Daniel J. and Flora (Hammett) Korn.



Kay grew up in Kalispell, where she excelled in school as captain of the twirling squad and editor of the school newspaper, as well as valedictorian of the Flathead County High School class of 1944. She continued her education at the University of Montana and was an active member of the Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority and the Spurs. After graduation she taught preschool at the university. During her college years she met the love of her life, Bill Walterskirchen, and they were married Sept. 13, 1947.

The couple moved to Kalispell in 1951, where Bill joined the law firm of Walsh, Korn and Warden. Kay dedicated her life to her husband and four children, and a variety of social and civic organizations. She dearly treasured her time creating ceramics, playing bridge and serving with the PEO group. Kay and Bill provided entertainment by performing their variety act for charitable events during a span of 17 years. She always encouraged her children to pursue a diverse set of interests, from music and writing to sports and community service.

After 31 years together, Bill passed away in 1978. She remained faithful to him, and Kay never remarried.

James Hood Walette, 82

James Hood Walette, 82, passed away Tuesday, Feb. 24, 2009, at the Immanuel Lutheran Home in Kalispell. James was born Dec. 25, 1926, in Carmangay, Alberta. At age 2, his family moved to Poplar, where he was raised.



He served honorably with the U.S. Army in the Philippines from 1945 to 1947.

On June 18, 1949, he married Inga Larson in Kalispell.

James was a logging and over-the-road truck driver.

He was an active member of the Christian Center Church.

James loved to meet the "guys" over coffee at Syke's and enjoyed snowmobiling with his family and having snow picnics. He also enjoyed scenic drives

During her later years, Kay worked as an interior decorator, spent countless hours serving the needs of the elderly through her time and talents; organized and taught tap dance and exercise classes, and was a devoted Montana Grizzly football fan. Her favorite place in the world was her cabin on Flathead Lake near Lakeside, a personal paradise where she found contentment and serenity.

She was affectionately known as "Munyer" to her five grandchildren. She was a very classy lady to the very end and will be missed by all.

Kay was preceded in death by her husband, Bill; and her parents.

She is survived by her children, Lindsay Addington and husband, Jeff, of Bonner, Brad Walterskirchen and wife, Vicki, of Kalispell, Chris Walterskirchen of Missoula, and Mark Walterskirchen and wife, April, of Vancouver, Wash.; her brothers, Dan Korn, and James Korn and wife, Norah, all of Kalispell; and her grandchildren, Tobin Addington, Aislinn Addington, Josey Walterskirchen, Lisa Twining and Kelli Walterskirchen. She also leaves behind her beloved dogs, Ralphie, Homer, Flanders, Pogo, Millie and Nobie.

Per her wishes, no services are planned.

The family suggests that any memorial contributions be sent to the LAB Preschool, c/o School of Education, University of Montana, 32 Campus Drive, Missoula, MT 59812.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home is caring for Kay's family. You are invited to go to www.jgfuneralhome.com to offer condolences and sign Kay's guest book.

James was preceded in death by his parents, Frank and Minnie Walette; and siblings, Walter; Vivian and Joseph Walette.

He is survived by his wife, Inga; and children, Karla Colyar and husband, Dan, Kristi Walette, Rodney Walette, Randy Walette and wife, Debbie, and Roland Walette and wife, Gina; sister, Wilma Jean Sanders; eight grandchildren, Charles Russell, James and Jeff Colyar, Gary, Adam, Tonya and Russ Walette, and Risa Miller; and four great-grandchildren, Josh Wall, Matthew Russell, Evan Walette and Ruth Colyar.

Visitation for James will be held from 2 to 6 p.m. Sunday, March 1, at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, March 2, at the Christian Center-Assembly of God Church. Burial will be afterward at C.E. Conrath Memorial Cemetery.

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Irma Rosenberg Walton, 87

Irma Rosenberg Walton, 87, passed away peacefully at her home in Columbia Falls on Friday Oct. 9, 2009.



She was born on Aug. 31, 1922, in Emmett, Idaho, to John and Dora White. She grew up with her two brothers, Verne and Allen, and they attended schools in Ellensburg, Wash.

Irma loved the outdoors and was always happy with a fishing pole in her hand. She loved to hunt for rocks, pan for gold, garden and was always up for a good time. She joined forces with her loving partner Bob on Dec. 6, 1961.

Irma was preceded in death by her parents, John and Dora White, and a daughter, Merna.

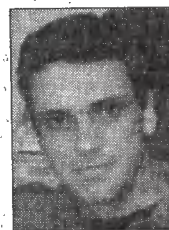
She is survived by her loving partner, Robert

Walton, at the family home in Columbia Falls; brothers Allen White of Coos Bay, Ore., and Verne White of Yakima, Wash.; her son Mark Rosenberg and his wife Barb of Othello, Wash., her son Gary Thomas of Olympia, Wash., her daughter Sheila Thomas of Las Vegas; her dear granddaughter Jenna Rosenberg of Great Falls; a dear friend, Olie Patterson of Sheffield, Texas; her sister-in-law Dolly Lee and her husband Pat of Columbia Falls; and numerous nieces, nephews and many friends.

A celebration of Irma's life will be held at noon Wednesday, Oct. 14, 2009, at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home, with the Rev. Darrell Newby officiating. Burial will follow the service at Glacier Memorial Gardens. You are invited to go to www.buffalohillfh.com to leave your condolences or sign Irma's book. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Lawrence 'Larry' Michael Ward, 50

Lawrence "Larry" Michael Ward, 50, was born in Kalispell to Larry and Mary Ward. On April 19, 1959, and "passed into the Lord's hands unexpectedly" on Aug. 5, 2009.



He attended Saint Matthew's Elementary, Kalispell Junior High School and Flathead High School. His appreciation for music led him to his employment at Sound West right out of high school.

Lawrence's journey led him to Phoenix in 1980, where he continued working in sales, installation and wiring of sound equipment.

He had a love for aquatic life and maintained several fresh and saltwater fish aquariums for many years. His entrepreneurial spirit then led him to start a plastics business where he built aquariums and supplied parts to other businesses.

While in Phoenix he met and married Jeannie Kost, where also their twin sons Jonathan and Michael were born.

He moved his family back to the Flathead Valley in 2000, where he continued his aquarium business and also pursued his love of carpentry. He was a master cabinet maker who was bright and very precise. He helped build the Creston Center. He had a talented touch and took full advantage of his woodwork-

ing gift.

Lawrence and Jeannie divorced in 2004.

From a very young age Lawrence always enjoyed putting in his garden and sharing the fruits of his labor with others. He attended Saint Matthew's Catholic Church and was a member of the Knights of Columbus. He was loved and will be greatly missed.

He was preceded in death by his paternal and maternal grandparents; his brother, Daniel Ward; and brother-in-law, Dan Danaher.

He is survived by his parents, Larry and Mary Ward, of Kalispell; sons, Jonathan and Michael Ward, of Lake Pequot, Minn.; sisters, Sister Marilyn Ward, of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, Susan Danaher and Todd of Kalispell, Barbara Coccia and Bob of Newcastle, Wash., and Sandra Ward and Dan of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho; brothers, Christopher Ward and Stephanie of Beaver Creek, Ohio, and Patrick Ward of Kalispell; and several nieces and nephews.

A rosary will be said by Father Ray Hannigan at 7 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 9, at the Buffalo Hill Funeral Home and Crematory. A funeral Mass will be said by Father Vic Langhans at 11:30 a.m. Monday, Aug. 10, at St. Matthew's Catholic Church.

"Be strong and take heart, all you who hope in the Lord." — Psalms 1:24

To send condolences, please visit the Web site at www.buffalohillfh.com. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Esther Louise Hill Warford, 85

Esther Louise Hill Warford "went to be with her Lord" on Feb. 4, 2009, in Polson. She was born in Butte on June 10, 1923, the daughter of William James and Anna May Poole Hill. She attended school in Butte, and after high school worked in Hennessy's department store as manager of the drapery department.



Esther married Roger Preston Warford on Sept. 8, 1946, in St. Patrick's Church in Butte. They had four children. She and Roger had a wonderful life together for almost 53 years until Roger's death in 1999.

At the beginning of their lives together, Roger and Esther lived all across Montana — Butte, Missoula, Fort Howe's Ranger Station, Hardin, Miles City, Malta, Bridger and Lewistown. Each of their children was born in a different town.

After they returned to Missoula in 1958, the two of them decided Missoula was a good place to raise children, and the family remained there for 34 years. Roger retired in 1978, and in 1992 they moved to their house on Flathead Lake.

Esther was active in school and church organizations. She served as a Girl Scout and Webelos troop leader and as president of St. Anthony's Home School Organization and Altar Society in Missoula. In Polson, she was a member of the Immaculate Conception Church's Parish Council of Catholic Women and the St. Joseph's Hospital Service League.

She cared for Roger and her parents through long illnesses at the end of their lives.

While her children were growing up, Esther remained home with them. She was a freelance writer and for seven years wrote a weekly column, "Just a Housewife," that was carried in several papers of the Catholic Register system.

She enjoyed playing both

duplicate and party bridge. She attained the rank of life master in the American Contract Bridge League. While in Missoula, she and Roger enjoyed playing in a monthly pinochle club. In later years in Polson, Esther enjoyed playing Panguingue (Pan) with family and friends.

Esther will be remembered for her smile, kindness and gentleness. She always was willing to lend a hand for work, an ear for troubles, a shoulder for rest, and arms for comfort.

Esther is survived by her children, Esther Anne Sain and husband, Ron, of Pennsylvania, James Roger "Jim" of California, Teresa Faye "Teri" of Polson, and Mary Louise Howard and husband, John, of Lakeside; her granddaughters, Erin Elizabeth Sain Rhoades and husband, Shane, of Pennsylvania, and Jessica Nicole Holden of Missoula; stepgrandchildren, Mark, Tami and Lindsey Haro of California; her sister, Mary Margaret Nickisch, of Billings; sisters-in-

law, Nellie Dean Warford Kelly, Mary Warford Stabler, Jennie Warford and Josie Warford Potter; as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; and two brothers.

In lieu of flowers, it was Esther's wish that donations be made to St. Joseph's Hospital, St. Joseph's Retirement Community, Immaculate Conception Church in Polson, or charity of choice.

There will be a vigil service at 1 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 8, in the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church. A reception will be held at 2 p.m. Monday, Feb. 9, in the St. Joseph Assisted Living Center, 11 17th Ave. E. A funeral Mass and inurnment will be held this summer, when all of her family and friends can join in the celebration of Esther's life.

Arrangements are being made through Grogan's Funeral Home and Crematory of Polson. Condolences may be made to the family at www.groganfuneralhome.com.

Ramona (Ekman) Warren, 87

Ramona (Ekman) Warren, 87, of Kalispell, and formerly of Polson and Rollins, passed away on Monday, Sept. 21, 2009, at Quality of Life Assisted Living in Kalispell.



Ramona was born Oct. 12, 1921, in Rollins, a daughter of the late Lynn and Ritchie Ekman, joining an older sister, Moroea. She grew up in Rollins, attending grade school there. The school was a very special place to her with wonderful memories of family and friends.

After graduating from the eighth grade, she attended Polson High School where she met the love of her life, Max Warren. When they were married, they lived in Rollins for a short time then moved to Seattle during World War II, where they both worked in the shipyards.

They later returned to Montana where Max started working at Kerr Dam and they then started their family; a son, David, and a daughter, Laurel. The family lived at Kerr Dam for many years.

Ramona was a great mom who was always encouraging the family and attending school functions for her kids and grandkids. She and Max both enjoyed dancing and attended senior citizen dances when they could.

Ramona also loved the outdoors, sewing, hunting, fishing and snowmobiling. When Max retired, they moved to their cabin in Rollins and turned the cabin into a home. Her heart was always at the lake.

Ramona was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Max, who passed away in 2007; and her sister, Moroea.

She is survived by her daughter, Laurel Gates, and her husband, Jerry, of Kalispell; her son, David Warren, of Kalispell; grand-children, Tanya Gates of Missoula, Mat and Kelly Gates of Kalispell, Shawna and Scott Hemmelman of Kalispell, and Brandy Warren of Washington; a stepgranddaughter, Wanda Adams, of Missoula; and great-grandchildren, Justin, Cole and Connor.

Funeral services are sched-

uled for 11 a.m. Friday, Sept. 25, at Grogan Funeral Home, 101 Sixth Ave. E., Polson, with the Rev. John Payne officiating. Burial will follow in Lakeview Cemetery, Polson.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations to either the Polson Senior Citizens Center, 504 Third Ave., Polson, MT 59860; or to Dogs for the Deaf, 10175 Wheeler Road, Central Point, OR 97502.

Messages of condolence may be sent to the family online at www.groganfuneralhome.com. Grogan Funeral Home, Polson, is assisting the family.

Jeanette "Jan" Rankin Watkins, 87

Jeanette "Jan" Rankin Watkins, 87, passed away on Sunday, June 21, 2009, at Brendan House in Kalispell. She was born May 9, 1922, in Kalispell to Charles and Francis Rankin.

Jan was a 1940 graduate of Flathead County High School, and a 1973 graduate with honors at Eastern Washington State College. Following graduation, Jan served 12 years of excellent special education teaching in the State of Idaho, School District No. 251.

Jan will be missed, but

remembered fondly as a dear lady, a generous person and a caring friend.

Visitation for Jan will be held from 3 to 7 p.m. on Wednesday June 24, with a rosary being said at 7 p.m. at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home. Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 12:10 p.m. on Thursday, June 25, at St. Matthew's Catholic Church.

Friends are encouraged to visit the Web site at www.buffalohillfh.com to post condolences. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Nancy Ann Watson, 58



Nancy Ann Watson, 58, passed away at her home in Columbia Falls surrounded by her loving family and friends on Wednesday,

March 11, 2009. She was born to John Floyd and Audrey Jones in Mankato, Minn., on January 22, 1951.

Nancy was raised in Mankato, where she attended elementary and high school. She graduated from Mankato High School in 1969 and went on to Mankato Beauty School, graduating in 1971.

Nancy worked as a cosmetologist/hairdresser for 30 years in Mankato and Whitefish.

She was involved in numerous community activities, including the Red Hat Society, Flathead Valley Dance and Jazz, Democratic Party of Montana, the American Diabetes Association and the AARP. She was very supportive of community concerts and plays. She was an avid advocate for health care for all.

Nancy participated in a number of hobbies and interests. She enjoyed camping, fishing, gardening, potluck social events and sewing. She had a great love of animals, especially her Imee and Heidi. She had a love for the great Montana outdoors. She participated in various Native American activities, including sweats and powwows. Nancy was an avid reader. Some of her favorite authors were Thich Nhat Hanh and Bill Wilson.

Nancy loved talking to and spending time with her family and friends. She loved her Thursday movie date nights and being married to her beloved husband, Paul.

Nancy is survived by her husband, Paul, of Columbia Falls; her daughter, Samantha Devens, and her granddaughters, Destinee Martin and Hannah Blank of Mankato; mother-in-law, Ella Mae Watson, of Syringa, Idaho; her sisters, Gail Jones (Jan Carney) of Mankato, and Cari White of Mankato; and brothers, Dan (Mary) Jones of Brooklyn Park, Minn., and Chuck (Michelle) Jones of Brownton, Minn.; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Nancy was preceded in death by her parents, Jack and Audrey Jones; sisters, Patty and Margaret Mary Jones; and brother-in-law, Robert Watson.

Nancy's memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. on Thursday, March 19, at the Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls. A potluck will be held at Paul and Nancy's home at 1132 Fourth Ave. W. following the memorial service. Please help us to continue to celebrate Nancy's life.

Memorials are requested to be sent to the Home Options-

Hospice at 175 Common Loop, Suite 100, Kalispell, MT 59901.

Lewis John Washburn, 71

Lewis John Washburn, 71, "went to rest" on May 25, 2009, at home on the land he loved. By his side were his loving wife Donna, devoted daughter Desria, and his six canine friends.

John "Jack" was born on Nov. 13, 1937, to John and Berniece Washburn in Kalispell. John was raised on the shores of Lake McDonald in Apgar. His childhood was simple; school was a one-room schoolhouse, his days were filled with hunting and berry picking, and his favorite was fishing the creek.

In his younger adult years he was employed by the Great Northern railroad. He later was employed by many of the local sawmills in Montana.

In 1965, he moved to Spokane and became an independent contractor, doing floors, countertops, tile work and apartment renovations. He was truly a "Jack" of all trades. He spent time enjoying the simple life, camping, fishing, and Christmases spent in Montana with his children as they grew up.

Mamie V. (Billedeaux) Weaver, 104

Mamie V. (Billedeaux) Weaver, 104, passed away on Sunday, April 26, 2009, at her residence at Lake Blaine. She was born in Browning on Sept. 8, 1904, the daughter of Xavier and Selena (Derwin) Billedeaux.

She attended and graduated from St. Matthew's School and was a member of St. Matthew's Catholic Church. She was also a member of the Eagles' Lodge Auxiliary.

After graduation she met Arthur Weaver, and they were married on June 4, 1927, at St. Matthew's Catholic Church. They made their home at Lake Blaine. Mamie and Art farmed for many years where they also raised cattle, horses and ponies.

Ben Webb, 77

Ben Webb, 77, died Saturday, Dec. 19, 2009, at Mountain View Manor.

He had owned and operated the Bull Pen.

Survivors include a daughter, Terry Webb, of Eureka; and son, Tracy

In 1997, he married the last love of his life, Donna Robinson. They bought land and built a home together in Deer Park, Wash. John was happiest when at home with Donna, building or improving the land they loved, right until the end!

John is survived by his wife, Donna, of Deer Park; his mother, Bee Barry, of Columbia Falls; six children, John, Ted, Desria, Mitch and Darrell Washburn, all of Florida, and Larinda of Spokane; his two stepchildren, David Dowell of Montana, and Shan' Dell Dowell of Seattle; two very special granddaughters he helped raise, Desi-Kay McCullough of Florida, and Katrina Dowell of Montana; two brothers, Gilbert Washburn, and Mick and wife Marilyn Washburn, and sister, Cheryl, and husband, Tom Kemppainen, all of Columbia Falls; also a long list of special family members, grandchildren and extended friends.

At John's request, no services will be held.

Mamie was preceded in death by her husband, Arthur; her parents; three sisters; and one brother.

She is survived by numerous nieces and nephews. She was much loved and will be missed by all who knew her.

Memorial graveside services will be held at 1 p.m. Friday, May 1, at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

The family suggests that any memorial contributions be sent to Home Options Hospice, 175 Commons Loop, Suite 100, Kalispell, MT 59901

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home is caring for Mamie's family. You are invited to go to www.jgfuneralhome.com to offer condolences and sign Mamie's guest book.

Webb, of Eureka.

Memorial services and a dinner will be held at 2 p.m. Dec. 26 at First Baptist Church.

Arrangements are by Schnackenberg & Nelson Funeral Home in Eureka.

Shannon Lynn (Kelly) Webb, 48

Shannon Lynn (Kelly) Webb, 48, passed away on Tuesday, Feb. 10, 2009, at her residence in Kalispell. She was born on Dec. 31, 1960, in Chico, Calif., the daughter of Larry and Shirley (Abernathy) Kelly.

She attended and graduated from Las Plumas High School in Oroville, Calif. She lived in surrounding towns growing up and in the last years of her life she followed her family to Montana.

She enjoyed cooking, a country setting, spending time with her children and grandchildren, and lounging around the house and watching the cooking channel.

Shannon was preceded in death by Joseph Neva, and her husband, Jerry Farley.

She is survived by her son, Joshua Neva, and his wife, Kerrie; and daughter, Sarah Neva; five grandchildren, Audrey, Joseph, Brandon, Olivia and Grace, all of Kalispell; her par-



ents, Larry and Shirley Kelly, of Kalispell; her brother, Shawn Kelly, and his wife, Cynthia, of Kila; and nephews, Tyler Kelly and his wife

Jessica of Everett, Wash., and Cameron Burlin of Whitefish.

A memorial service for Shannon will be held at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 18, at Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home. There will be no visitation.

The family suggests that any memorial contributions be sent to the charity of the donor's choice.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home is caring for Shannon's family. You are invited to go to www.jgfuneralhome.com to offer condolences and sign Shannon's guest book.

Paul Richard Webber, 62

Paul Richard Webber, 62, passed away unexpectedly on July 10, 2009, at his home with his wife by his side. He was born Nov. 20, 1946, in Detroit to Robert and Geraldine (Gohs) Webber.

Paul was married to the love of his life, Catherine "Kate" (Claytor) Webber on Dec. 20, 1986, in Michigan.

Paul was the ultimate musical performer. Even though Paul was a natural musician, he studied under the guidance of the director of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra until the director proclaimed Paul needed no further instruction. He'll be best known for his crooning and Elvis style of singing. Paul never met a musical instrument he couldn't master.

He began performing at an early age and continued performing throughout his lifetime. Paul's favorite musical instrument was the saxophone. He emulated the style of Boots Randolph to perfection. Gifted with a beauti-



ful baritone voice, Paul leaves a legacy of uplifting the hearts of family and friends through song.

Paul enjoyed driving vintage and sports cars. He collected classic movies and loved to fish, boat and shoot pool.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

He is survived by his wife, Catherine "Kate" Webber of Columbia Falls; four daughters, Amy Sharpe of Troy, Mich., Stacy Firu and husband, John, of Kalispell, Connie Lasco and husband, Aaron, of Somers, and Donna Stuk and husband, Jeff, of Ortonville, Mich.; and six grandchildren, Owen Sharpe, Sarah Firu, Vanessa Firu, Mason Lasco, Chase Stuk and Tristan Stuk.

Funeral services for Paul will be held 11 a.m. Tuesday, July 14, at Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Chapel. Visitation will be held from 1 to 6 p.m. today at Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home is caring for Paul's family. You are invited to go to www.jgfuneralhome.com to offer condolences and sign Paul's guest book.

Lloyd Otto Weldy Jr., 78

Lloyd Otto Weldy Jr., 78, died Tuesday, Oct. 6, 2009, in Kalispell.

Arrangements are pending with Buffalo Hill Funeral Home and Crematory.

Marica Grace Weller, 42

Marica Grace Weller, 42, passed away Oct. 15, 2009, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center. She suffered injuries as a result of being hit by a car.



Marica was born Feb. 26, 1967, at Balboa Naval Hospital in San Diego to Gary and Janet Weller. She attended elementary school at Onconta School in Imperial Beach, Calif., with the remainder of her education in Columbia Falls.

Marica worked several different jobs, all in the service industry. Her job at the Woodland Qwik Stop, where she was working at the time of her death, was by far her favorite. She loved her fellow employees and had many favorite customers. She will be greatly missed. She radiated kindness and love.

We would like to make special mention of Marica's "Street Family," whom she loved and cherished very much. They were always there for her in times of sorrow.

Marica was very athletic and was the first girl to play baseball in Imperial Beach, and played softball with her Pops in Wasilla, Alaska. She also loved shooting hoops with her son Gary and nephew Elijah. She was a "shark" pool player and had a love affair with muscle cars.

She was never more alive than when she was holding a child. Her grandchildren made her smile most of all; it was obvious how much she loved them. She was a giver, a collector of friends, a daughter, sister, auntie, mother and grandmother.

"She's part of the strand that sews us all together, an infinite light piercing

through the hearts of us all."

Marica was preceded in death by her grandparents, Ed and Grace Fenner and Lawrence and Una Weller; her son, Gary Hower; stepmother, Mona Weller; step-grandfather, Percy Jelleff and a favorite aunt, Gerry Ryan.

Marica is survived by her mother and Pops, Janet and Matt McConville; father and stepmother, Gary and Donna Weller; stepgrandmother, Audrey Jelleff; two sisters, Rita Searles and her husband Bryan, and Darla Weller; a brother, Norman Weller and his wife Tana; three stepsisters, Shannon Messer and her husband Craig, Angie Chavez and Raejon Nielsen; stepbrother Shane Nielsen; daughters Christina Fieler and her husband Jake, and RaeLene Evans; and grandchildren Madison, Austin and Marley. She will be greatly missed by her nephews Joshua Weller, Elijah Weller, Skyler Barron, Richard Chavez, Dalton Emmer-son and Brady Messer; and nieces Bryanne Hinsz, Courtney Osier, Gabrielle Weller, Casandra Chavez, Jessica McCullam and Arista Barron.

A celebration of Marica's life will be held at 3 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 21, at the United Methodist Church, 117 Second St. W., Columbia Falls, with the Rev. David Merkel officiating. A reception will follow at the church.

An account has been set up at the Whitefish Credit Union in Kalispell under Darla Weller's name in memory of Marica Weller, to help with funeral costs. Condolences to the family may be made online to jamcc1233@montanasky.net. In best regards to the family and out of respect, no alcohol will be tolerated.

Bob Welliver, 62

Bob Welliver, 62, passed away Tuesday, Aug. 18, 2009. He was born on Jan. 29, 1947, in Poplar. He then moved to Wolf Point where he attended and graduated from Immaculate Conception School. He also attended Wolf Point High School where he played sports.



Bob moved to Seattle where he worked for Boeing. He also traveled the West Coast, and was a product of the '60s and '70s era.

He later returned to Kalispell where he married Joyce Swindler. Together they had two daughters, Mikki and Mia. Bob worked at St. Matthew's and so enjoyed the nuns and children.

He was an avid reader and knowledgeable on many subjects like ancient history, American history, medical science, politics and music. Bob knew the Bible well and all religions. He had read the entire encyclopedia cover to cover.

Much to everyone's surprise, Bob had a beautiful

voice and sang opera, and had taken first place in many competitions.

Bobby was best known for his big smile and his great love of life which he lived to the fullest.

He so loved his granddaughters, Cierra, Cheyenne, India and Ember. He said each one was beautiful and special in their own way.

We know Bob had many friends and family and his brothers Rick and Pat "will be waiting at those pearly gates."

He will be sorely missed here by those who loved him, his wife of 41 years, Joyce; daughters, Mikki and Mia; granddaughters; sisters and brother, Mem Zundel, Kelly Thumm, and Tony Welliver; and extended family.

Friends and family are invited to a celebration of life and potluck at 3 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 29, at 369 Willow Glen Drive, in Kalispell. Bring a chair, as it is held outdoors.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for Bob's family. You are invited to go to www.jgfuneralhome.com to view Bob's guest book, offer condolences, and share memories.

Robert W. Weston, 53

Robert W. Weston, 53, of Hot Springs, died on Wednesday, Jan. 14, 2009, from injuries sustained in a traffic accident.

He is survived by a brother, Russell, in South Carolina.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Katherine 'Kay' Wheeler, 92

Katherine "Kay" Wheeler died, surrounded by her family, on the evening of April 14, 2009, at the Immanuel Lutheran Home in



Kalispell. Kay was born on New Year's Day, 1917, in Kenyon, Minn., to Michael Hugh and Amanda (Furu) Sweeney.

The fourth of eight children, Kay was the salutatorian of her Kenyon High School class and went on to study nursing at Great Falls Deaconess Hospital and Montana State College. After receiving her registered nurse degree, Kay married Harry C. Wheeler in December 1938 in Kalispell's United Methodist Church. They were married for 63 years.

Kay and Harry Wheeler had three children, Barbara, Clark and Scott. They moved from Great Falls to Billings, where Harry served as the administrator of the Deaconess Hospital. Kay was an active member of PEO, the Order of the Eastern Star, and the Deaconess Hospital Auxiliary.

Kay and Harry moved to Spokane in 1955. Together, they helped build the Deaconess Medical Center and

mentored hundreds of interns, nurses and other medical professionals. Kay remained active in PEO, the Girl Scouts of America, and the Hospital Auxiliary.

In 1982, Kay was honored as Spokane's Woman of the Year. Upon Harry's retirement that year, they achieved their lifetime dream of returning to the Flathead Valley to live on their family place in the West Valley. For the next 20 years, Kay and Harry enjoyed their neighbors and family in the beauty of their chosen home.

Kay was predeceased by her daughter, Barbara Schustrom, in 1990; and her husband, Harry, in 2001.

She is survived by her sons, Clark and his wife, Jennifer Voermans Wheeler, and Scott and his wife, Jane Ennis Wheeler; and Barbara's husband, Bill Schustrom. Kay's children, eight grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren will miss their "Mor-Mor," as they all knew her. She also deeply touched the lives of Vern and Judy Nelson and their family, widening in a wonderful way, the circle of love and caring that Kay created wherever she went in her long and fortunate life.

A family memorial will be held this summer. Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home is caring for Kay's family.

Marcella 'Cel' Mae White, 79

Marcella "Cel" Mae White, 79, passed away Thanksgiving night, Nov. 27, 2009, after a long, courageous battle with lung cancer. Cel was born in Ingomar on June 16, 1930.



She moved to Helena, where she met her husband Lacey. They resided in Warm Springs and Deer Lodge, where they made lifelong friends. They moved to Kalispell in 1968 where she worked at Frank's Bi-Rite. With three children in high school, Cel was in charge of the teen center and was a positive mentor to many. She spent several years as a real estate agent.

Cel was known as a gracious host and loving wife, mother and grandmother. She enjoyed all forms of gar-

dening. Her real passion was winning at cards in bridge and pinochle. She was a great animal lover.

Cel is survived by her husband of 58 years, Lacey; her sister, Marcia, and her husband, Bob Hesse, of Tulare, Calif.; her brother-in-law, Miles White, and his wife, Regina, of Billings; three children, Marcie and Duane Anderson of Auburn, Wash., Mike White of Kalispell, and Maggie and Jim Mende of Perris, Calif.; six grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

A celebration of her life will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 1, at Risen Christ Catholic Church in Evergreen, with Father Rudolph Bullman as celebrant.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for Cel's family. You are invited to go to www.jgfuneralhome.com to view Cel's guest book, offer condolences and share memories.

Travis Kent Wickum, 26

Travis Kent Wickum, 26, died Saturday, July 4, 2009, as a result of a boating accident on Flathead Lake.

He is survived by his wife, Jessie (Diamond) Wickum, of Whitefish;

three daughters, Madison, Marissa and Leighla Wickum; and his parents, Nancy Stone-Hauge of Seeley Lake, and Clifford Wickum of Chester.

Memorial services are pending.

Frances A. Wicen, 84

Frances A. Wicen, 84, passed away Sept. 12, 2009, in Whitefish. She was born July 19, 1925, in Argenta, a child of the Great Depression. Attending a one-room schoolhouse and sharing a two-room house with her parents and five siblings, she often recalled how her parents, George and Lillie, shared what little they had with the surrounding neighbors.



She later moved to the Centerville area of Butte after her father obtained employment at the Argo Copper Mine.

She married Robert Wicen there on June 27, 1943, and shortly thereafter, moved to Whitefish where she had remained.

Frances was one of the first Whitefish Carnival penguins, then a traveling goodwill group, making people aware of the jewel that was Whitefish.

She managed and owned the historic Sampson block

on Second Street until 1978. She was a lifetime member of the Women of the Moose and a member of the Rebecas.

Ever busy in retirement, Frances was an election commissioner for a few years, a greeter and member of the altar guild at the Episcopal Church, and a supporter of the Flathead Sheriff's Posse through her companion Dale Howke.

She was preceded in death by her sisters, Martha Van Ham and Georgia Mae French; and brother, James Knapp.

Frances is survived by her daughter; four granddaughters, and four great-grandchildren; and her sisters, Margaret Cargill of Columbia Falls, and Betty Rickett, of Billings. She is also survived by many loving nieces and nephews; great-nieces and great-nephews; and friends and neighbors who stayed close to her until the end.

She was laid to rest near her family at Glacier Gardens and is honored by a short biography painted on one of the buildings on Second Street in downtown Whitefish.

Kirk William Wilson, 43

Kirk William Wilson, 43, died in Elk Grove, Calif., on June 23, 2009, surrounded by his family after a courageous nine-year battle with brain cancer. He was born March 12, 1966, in Billings, to Beverly Ann (Waters) and Richard Adam Wilson.



He graduated in 1991 from Penn State University with a master's degree in architecture. During his college years, Kirk spent a semester in Germany and studied classic and modern architecture throughout western Europe. He began his career in architecture by completing an internship program at the CUH2A architecture firm in Princeton, N.J., before moving to Washington state in 1992 where he was first licensed to practice.

After working in the Tri-Cities area for several years he moved to the San Francisco Bay Area where he was employed by DES A+E in Redwood City. After obtaining his architecture license in California, he was honored to be selected as a commissioner to assist in administering the California Architectural Supplemental Exam for prospective architects. Kirk prided himself in his work by designing and creating buildings that were both useful and pleasing to the eye. He strived for perfection through attention to detail.

Kirk was also an accomplished musician. As a youth he sang with the Golden State Boy Choir and performed with the Des Moines Metro Summer Opera company. Most recently, he performed with the Sacramento Choral Society and Orchestra. He had a passion for world travel, photography and art.

Kirk was a member of Elk Grove Congregational Church.

Kirk was preceded in death by his paternal grandparents, Hurley and Edna Wilson; his maternal grandfather, William Waters; his aunt, Sharon Wilson Demarais; and his cousin Dick Demarais; and his mother-in-law, Jeanette Shirakura.

He is survived by his parents, Richard and Beverly Wilson, of Kalispell, and Springdale, Ark., his maternal grandmother, Bessie Mae Waters, of Malta; his wife, Michele Wilson, and his stepdaughter, Erin King, of Elk Grove, Calif. He is also survived by his three brothers, Charlie Wilson, and Dan Wilson and wife Tia, of Kalispell, his niece, Liv Wilson, of Kalispell, and Dr. Michael Wilson and wife Marci, and nieces, Jayci and Callie Wilson of Springdale; other survivors include his two aunts, Wilma Cleaver and husband Jerry of Sebastian, Fla., and Sheila Nybo and husband Dennis of Richland, Wash.; his uncle, Hurley Wilson, and wife, Myrna, of South Dakota; uncle, Delmar Demaris, of Malta; and his nine cherished cousins. Other survivors include his sister-in-law, Tanya, and husband, Derek Cota, of Concord, Calif.; and brother-in-law, Dwayne Shirakura, and wife, Pam Berkowitz, of Pleasanton, Calif., and their children; and his father-in-law, Takashi Shirakura, retired architect. There are dear friends and colleagues in several states and around the globe who mourn his passing. Kirk had a unique gift of making every effort seem worthwhile and every acquaintance a personal treasure.

Memorial services for Kirk will be held on Saturday, July 18, in California.

The family suggests memorial gifts to Sutter VNA Hospice, 7300 Folsom Blvd., Suite 100, Sacramento, CA 95826; the Elk Grove Community Band c/o Jay Roberts; or the National Brain Tumor Society, 22 Battery Street, Suite 612, San Francisco, CA 94111-5520.

Ilene Woster-Williams, 62

Ilene Woster-Williams, 62, formerly of Columbia Falls, died of liver cancer on Nov. 10, 2009, at her home in Anchorage, Alaska.

Her professions included brief work on a political campaign in

Helena.

She is survived by her husband, Gary Williams, at the family home in Anchorage.

Interment will be held in the spring at Angeles Memorial Cemetery in Anchorage.

Lloyd Douglas Williamson, 69

Lloyd Douglas Williamson, 69, a longtime Libby resident, died Thursday, Jan. 1, 2009, at St. John's Lutheran Hospital from natural causes.

He had owned and operated the Chevron Oil Bulk Plant for a number of years, and also worked for Granite Concrete, Asarco, and Champion International, subsequently Stimpson Lumber Company, where he retired.

Survivors include his wife, Sharon, of Libby; and three children, Jennifer Allred Georgia, David Williamson of Utah, and Leigh Williamson of Corvallis, Ore.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Friday, Jan. 9, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Later-day Saints. Burial will follow at the City of Libby Cemetery. Arrangements are by Schnackenberg & Nelson Funeral Home in Libby.

Charles R. Wilkinson, 71

Charles R. Wilkinson, 71, passed away Tuesday, May 19, 2009, ending his battle with a serious lung condition,

surrounded by his family in Lakewood, Wash.

Charles left behind a legacy of love. He was a loving father, a caring husband. He is known for his heart of gold and the kindness he extended to everyone, even to strangers. Charlie was always the life of the party, and brought laughter even in his final hour. He will be sorely missed by everyone. He loved caring



for animals, going to the movies, writing poetry and giving generously to others.

Charlie lived a life of hard work and dedication. He worked for United Airlines, owned "Wilkinson's Video Station" in Kalispell, and spent the last 21 years at Boeing. He worked up until the very end of his life.

He is survived by his wife, Hony; children, Nathan Wilkinson, Lisa Nevis, and Kristina Estep; and their mother, Elizabeth Ellesch.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, May 26, at Mountain View Funeral Home in Lakewood, Wash. To leave condolences, please visit www.mountainviewtacoma.com.

Alice E. Wilson, 92

Alice E. Wilson, 92, passed away on Sunday, June 28, 2009, at Heritage Place in Kalispell. Alice was born on Oct. 11, 1916, in Lambert, to William and Anna Haven. Alice was the fifth child in a family of seven children.

The family homesteaded just out of Lambert. They moved to Kalispell in 1932. Except for a period during World War II when she worked in the Portland ship yards, she lived her life in the Kalispell area. In 1946, she married Louis Wilson. They had two children, LaVena and Myron. LaVena (Orville Robins) lives in Kalispell, and Myron Wilson lives in Billings.

Alice was preceded in



all her brothers and sisters. She will be missed by all of her family and friends.

Memorial services will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, July 2, at Central Christian Church.

In lieu of flowers, friends may make a donation to the charity of their choice.

Friends are encouraged to visit the Web site at www.buffalohillfh.com to leave condolences for the family. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the

Lola Wilckens, 85

Lola Wilckens, 85, passed away Friday, Sept. 4, 2009, in Kalispell.

Lola was born Emma Liselotte Kowalczyk on March 30, 1924, in Giesen, Germany, to Emma and Anton Kowalczyk. Starting at a young age, she became a ballerina, earning a living at opera houses before 1939.

She came to the United States on March 7, 1948, and married Blaine Wilckens. She became a U.S. citizen in May 1950.

They lived mostly in Arizona and New Mexico, traveling for road construction. After nine years, they came to Lincoln County, Montana, to ranch on 160 acres on the East Fisher. She also was teaching ballet in Libby, cooking for the Forest Service and working on a racehorse ranch until they bought a larger ranch farther out.

Her husband was still logging at the time, so she did most of the ranch work.

They were divorced after 24 years and Lola moved to Kalispell, where she worked at different jobs until she went into real estate, in which she worked until retiring.

After moving to Kalispell



in 1973, she started oil painting, which was a great joy to her. In 1984, on her birthday, she was introduced to Shining Mountains, a center for positive living. She knew she belonged there and attended as long as she could.

She is preceded in her "transition" by all her family.

She is survived by a cousin, Renade Schneider, and two godchildren still living in Germany.

She loved this country and her many friends, like Blanche Garrett, who took her in when she had no place to go and was always there for her. Ida and Jack Paxton, friends for over 55 years, Marlies Coe, Susie Holcomb and Mika and John O'Cain, were all so very helpful. She appreciated Rev. Chrysta Bourne for always making time for her and bringing the tapes from Sunday service. There are too many dear friends to mention all of them, but they are always in her heart.

"I thank you, God, for my life," Lola said.

A celebration of her life will be held at the Elms Apartments recreation room at 4 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 10. Friends are encouraged to visit the Web site www.buffalohillfh.com to leave a note of condolence.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Trevor E. Wildin, 93

Trevor E. Wildin, 93, passed away on Thursday, Nov. 26, 2009, at Brendan House in Kalispell.

Trevor was born Jan. 9, 1916, on his way to Lewistown. He graduated from Roundup High School in 1935.

Trevor enlisted in the U.S. Navy in June 1936. He received a medical discharge in November 1952 as a warrant officer.

He worked at the Boeing aircraft company after being discharged from the Navy. He then worked civil service at Malmstrom AFB in Montana in the civil engineering department and retired in September 1975.

The Wildins moved from Great Falls to Kalispell in 1977. Trev was active in golfing at Buffalo Hill Golf



Course, as well as bowling, up until the time the bowling alley burned down. He was a member of NARFE.

He was preceded in death by his parents and five brothers and sisters.

He is survived by his wife, Margaret Wildin, of Kalispell; stepsons, Donald Dean and wife Shirley, Gerald Dean and wife Marilyn, and Dennis Dean; a brother, Cliff, and wife, Mia, of Washington; sister, Edith, and husband, Robert Gilbertson, and Vivian Bianchi, of Billings; and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

A short service will be held at 1 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 1, at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home, with military honors being done in the parking lot following the service.

Please go to www.buffalohillfh.com to leave your personal condolences or sign his guest book. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Charles David 'Chuck' Williams, 89

Charles David "Chuck" Williams was born April 21, 1919, and passed away April 16, 2009, due to cancer.



Chuck was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers, John and Fred; and three sisters, Dorothy, Rosemary and Elinor.

He is survived by two brothers, Jim and George; and one sister, Marguerite; his loving wife of 65 years, Marie; three children, son Ron and wife, Peggy, of Kalispell, son Rod and wife, Paula, of Long Beach, Calif., and daughter, Judy Williams, of Kalispell; six grandchild-

dren, Steve Williams, Tami Garrison, Christopher Williams, Michael Williams, James Williams and Ronda Almodova; 11 great-grandchildren, Franky, Selinna, Stephen, Nicholas, Thomas, Trevor, Amanda, Anita, Angelina, Ben and Christian; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Chuck was a furniture maker for 47 years.

Chuck was an avid reader, loved gardening and had served as a Boy Scout leader. He will be remembered for always having a story to tell and his wonderful sense of humor.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for the family. Please go to www.buffalohillfh.com to leave your condolences or sign Chuck's book.

Doris B. Williams, 93

Doris B. Williams, 93, passed away Thursday, Jan. 1, 2009, at Heritage Place in Kalispell. She was born Aug. 20, 1915, in Dunkirk to Gabriel and Fern (Jackson) Burrell. Doris grew up in Kalispell, where she attended elementary and high school.



On July 3, 1939, she married Darrel DeVel Williams of Whitefish. After the death of her husband in Harlem in 1962, she attended school in Havre, becoming a licensed practical nurse. She worked at the old Kalispell Hospital and the new Regional Hospital for about 20 years. She loved nursing, exchanging recipes and patterns with many of her patients, and she often visited them after they went home.

Her retirement was filled with family, friends and volunteer work for the blood bank and TOPS, doing crafts, traveling all around the world and United States, and spending time with her beloved Bible Presbyterian Church family. She maintained a keen interest in everyone; she

met. Her frequency at Syke's made it impossible for her to pay more than 10 cents a cup for coffee anywhere else.

Doris was preceded in death by her husband, Darrel; her parents; two brothers, Marshall and Gerald Burrell, and his wife, Lois; and two sisters, Maxine Wesp and Marjory Taylor.

She is survived by her two children, her daughter, Patricia Dolven and husband, Fred, of Reno, Nev., and her son, Richard Williams and Jennifer Reid of Anchorage, Alaska; four grandchildren, Brian and wife, Dawn, Davin, Bryce, Danica and husband, Marc; five great-grandchildren, Ian, Amber, Jacob, Evan and Elijah; one sister, Elva Ulrich, of Dongola, Ill.; with many beloved nieces, nephews, friends, and her church family.

Memorial services to celebrate and remember her life will be held this summer at Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home in August, with an urn burial afterward at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

Johnson Mortuary and Crematory is caring for Doris' family. You are invited to go to www.johnsonmortuary.com to offer condolences and sign Doris' guest book.

James Lake Willows, 92

James Lake Willows, one of the Flathead Valley's founding fathers, died peacefully in his sleep with a smile on his face on Wednesday, July 22, 2009, in Kalispell. He was born to James Ferris and Maude Ingles Willows in Cranbrook, British Columbia on Sept. 6, 1916, growing up on a large ranch near Red Deer, Alberta, where his father raised draft horses.



Later moving to Lewiston, Idaho, James graduated high school as valedictorian and student body president and was appointed to West Point by the state governor upon his graduation. Honoring his mother's wishes, Jim turned down West Point and instead joined one of the last regiments of the U.S. Mounted Cavalry stationed in Idaho while attending and graduating from the University of Idaho. James built and sold his first house at 18 to finance his college education and upon graduation, decided to spend a year traveling throughout the United States exploring not only the country and the people but all the different churches and worship centers that he found along the way. While he was a deeply spiritual man, his own beliefs were very private, founded on the belief that each individual's pathway to God was to be honored. He liked to say that the great outdoors was the temple that inspired him the most.

Willows married Laverne "Olga" Zerbin in 1947, and together they homesteaded in Fairfield before moving to the Flathead where he worked logging the Hungry Horse Dam before opening the "Willows Honeyberry Farm" restaurant, gift shop and wild berry jam and jelly manufacturing company. Jim and Laverne built one of the original two homes in Hungry Horse, purchasing large tracts of land in the town for \$12 an acre which he later developed, platted and sold as the town grew.

Jim and Laverne were founders of the Hungry Horse Community Club, organizing the purchase of the old "Mint Bar," which became the town's first community center before donating land across from the Honeyberry Farm to create the town's first park. In the early days there would be weekly potlucks at the community center, with adults socializing and dancing in the front and kids playing four square, hopscotch and watching Three Stooges movies in the back room. Willows owned and operated the Hungry Horse Water System, was Hungry Horse fire chief, an active member of the Kalispell Toastmaster's Club and a much loved Boy Scout leader in the area for numerous years. Many of the area's young men became Eagle Scouts under the guidance of Willows who believed in and taught a strong work ethic, self sufficiency, and shared his great love and knowledge of Montana's wilderness areas. He even set up a boxing ring where he could teach his scouts how to gain the confidence to defend themselves in life should the need arise.

The Honeyberry Farm became a landmark in the area, boasting the best home-grown barbecued chickens, huckleberry pies and jam in the area, but Willows always saw a deeper purpose for his establishment and that was teaching the local youth how to work. He never gave up on a kid and when they left his employment, they knew how to move fast, work hard and make smart decisions. He was a firm believer in giving young people the tools and maturity to make things happen for themselves without outside help.

Willows will always be remembered for his generosity. He helped many a young couple get a start in life by trading land for work, and any person down on their luck could always depend on Jim Willows for a hot meal and a roof over their heads. Numerous times he brought people home to the family home, putting them up in the basement, and asking Laverne to feed them a hot meal.

Jim and Laverne had four children, Sharlon L. Willows, Bonni Willows Quist, Jamey Faun Willows and last, his son and cherished namesake, James West Willows. He ruled over his family with an iron hand, teaching them the value of money, the joy of self sufficiency, the importance of setting goals and always moving forward in life. He watched over his daughters with an eagle eye and there wasn't a high school boy in the area who dared bring one of Jim Willows' daughters home late after curfew. When his children graduated from high school, Willows had three rules: 1) If you want to keep living at home, you pay rent and still have to go by my rules. 2) Parents shouldn't have to hear about their kids' problems after graduation — figure out your own problems and just talk about your successes when you come home. 3) There is no substitute for common sense, so learn to make good, quick decisions and go out and make something of yourself.

After Laverne's death, Willows sold the Honeyberry Farm and decided to move south to the sunny beaches of California where he started another 20-year chapter of his life. He met and married a very colorful local, Gladys Laberge, and the two of them made their home in Malibu where they quickly became very well known for their dance moves and their love of life. Jim enjoyed Gladys' family and the family compound where they lived very much and pursued his love of gardening, planting orange groves, orchids, and vegetable gardens around their home. Gladys kept James hopping in later life and he always liked to say that "there was nothing whatsoever boring about that woman!" They would drive back to Montana yearly until Gladys was 90 and they insisted on camping along the way because they both grew up in the Depression and they couldn't stand the thought of spending \$100 for a motel room.

In his later years, Willows enjoyed going to jazz festivals with Gladys, watching his grandchildren play sports and traveling extensively with his daughter, Bonni, who was an International flight attendant for United Airlines. He visited Hawaii, Australia, Hong Kong, Korea, Singapore, and Japan, dancing his way across Asia, even being asked on stage in Singapore to dance with a touring Brazilian dance troupe. He and Gladys especially enjoyed dancing to his grandson Guthrie Quist's rock-and-roll band while Guthrie attended Pepperdine University in Malibu. Guthrie's friends always thought his grandparents were part of the show.

Jim Willows' life touched more people than he will ever imagine — he lived his life by simple personal beliefs. He never let the sun come up on yesterday's anger, he believed in keeping quiet and listening to others unless he had something of value to say and his most famous saying was coined on a trip to Australia with two of his grandchildren. He had boundless energy and after an all-night 14-hour flight, he had gone out and purchased tickets for a visitin Broadway play, only to come home and find his grandkids wanting to get some sleep. Grandpa flashed his trademark fiery glare and with great disdain said, "There's plenty of time to sleep when you're dead." He lived by that motto and he sought life's

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JAMES LAKE WILLOWS

adventures to the best of his physical abilities right up to the day that he died.

Willows was preceded in death by his two wives, Laverne Olive Willows, and Gladys LaBerge Willows; his parents, James and Maude Willows; his four siblings, Tommy, Jack, Esther and Ruby "Jan"; and his daughter, Sharlon Linda Willows.

He is survived by his son, James, and wife, Jaekyung, and their children, Josiah, Esther and Abe; his daugh-

ter, Bonni Willows Quist, and husband, Rob, and their children, Guthrie and Halladay; and daughter, Jamey Fawn Willows, and her son, Harley Hanks; his granddaughter, Willow Miyamoto, and husband, Kevin, and their son, Dylan, and his Malibu family, Pammy LaBerge McCarthy, Michael LaBerge Sr., Michael LaBerge Jr., Jason LaBerge, Chandra LaBerge Fortier, and Janelle Shawver.

A funeral service will be

held at 6:30 p.m. Monday, July 27, at Love and Faith Fellowship, exactly five miles east of Super One on Highway 35 (1/2 mile west of Woody's), and at 4 p.m. Sept. 6, there will be a memorial service and 93rd birthday celebration for James Lake Willows at Rob and Bonni Quist's Sweetwater Ranch in Creston. Willows will be buried at Fairview Cemetery in a casket made by his son, James. Feel free to call

James at 270-8677 or Bonni at 253-8604 with questions.

James Willows always signed his letters with the words, "Courage Smiles," and he died with a book called "Courage" on his bed table. Inside the cover he had written, "Great people are ordinary people who are very determined!" The family welcomes everyone whose lives were touched by Jim to celebrate his passing.

Eleanore C. Wink, 89

On a beautiful summer morning, Eleanore C. Wink, 89, passed away July 20, 2009, in Whitefish of natural causes. She



was born Dec. 8, 1919, in Malta, to Blanche and Edward Clausen, who had homesteaded south of Malta.

After attending schools in Malta and Victor, Eleanore enrolled at Northern Montana College in Havre, where she met and married Irwin A. Wink on July 15, 1943. They lived in Havre, raising their two sons and running the family business until retiring to Bigfork in the early 1980s.

Eleanore was extremely well-read, enjoyed politics, her church, bridge, PEO and was a member of the Havre Hill County Study Commission. Most of all, Eleanore lived for her family and friends, cooking, entertaining and providing a loving home for all to enjoy. She was the rock of the family and a very "proper" lady. Eleanore was loved, respected and admired as a lovely and gracious lady.

Preceding Eleanore in death were her parents, Blanche and Edward Clau-

sen; brother, John Clausen; sister, Grace Loyd; and stepfather, Harry Combs.

She is survived by her husband of 66 years, Irwin A. Wink, of Whitefish; two sons Robert Wink of Bigfork, and Scott Wink and wife, Holly, of Havre; two grandchildren, Natalie Mellem and Jerry of Salt Lake City, and Emily Van Heel of North Carolina; five great-grandchildren, Mia, Nadia and Quinn Mellem, and Gage and Brook Van Heel; one brother, Pete Clausen; many wonderful nieces and nephews; and godson, Mike and Vicky Rubie, of Missoula.

Graveside services for Eleanore will be held at 1 p.m. Friday, July 24, at the Bigfork Cemetery on Swan River Road, with a memorial service to follow at 2 p.m. at the Bigfork United Methodist Church. Memorials may be sent to the Bigfork PEO, c/o Lynnell Smith, 104 Baylie Dr., Bigfork, MT 59911; or Northern Montana College Foundation, P.O. Box 1691, Havre, MT 59501.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home is caring for Eleanore's family. You are invited to go to www.jgfuneralhome.com to offer condolences and sign Eleanore's guest book.

Guy W. Winkler, 82

Guy W. Winkler, 82, died Wednesday, Feb. 18, 2009, at his home in Whitefish.

He was a retired commercial pilot.

He is survived by his wife, Mildred Winkler; and children, Cheryl Winkler, Michael Winkler, Cynde Bohannon, Lynda Altenburg, Duane Winkler and Judy Tintzman.

Visitation will be from 5 to 7:30 p.m. today, Feb. 20; at Buffalo Hill Funeral

Home, with a rosary at 6:30 p.m. A Mass of Christian burial will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 21, at St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church in Whitefish. Burial will be afterward at Glacier Memorial Gardens. Military honors will be provided by the Montana National Guard and the United Veterans of the Flathead Valley.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Thelma Gray Winters, 91

Thelma Gray Winters, 91, former longtime Kalispell resident, passed peacefully in Vancouver, Wash., Oct. 17, 2009, "to join her departed family and friends in heaven."



She was born in Peru, Neb., to Laura and Fred Hildbrand and grew up on the family's Wyoming homestead with brothers, Lowell and Bud, who preceded her. Thelma moved to Vancouver with her family in 1957.

Thelma was a homemaker who loved dancing, excelled at cooking and sewing.

loved spending time in nature, and was an active listener for anyone who was troubled. Thelma will be greatly missed by all who love her.

She leaves behind her daughters, Ardith Gray DeRaad and Gary of Puyallup, Wash., and Dorothy Laursen of Vancouver; her "son-in-law," Bill Chappelle; grandchildren, Shawna LeMott and Michael of Tacoma, Wash., Brent and Michelle of Kent, Wash., Darin Laursen and Valerie, and Devin Laursen and Katie of Wisconsin, and Susan Cole and David of California; and 10 great-grandchildren.

Please sign her guestbook at www.columbian.com/obits.

Virginia Pauline Woll, 92

Virginia Pauline Woll, 92, passed away Friday, Aug. 21, 2009, at Brendan House in Kalispell. Virginia was born Aug. 26, 1916, in Polson, to Harry C. and Jessie G. (Chinock) Rolston. As a child she grew up in the Ferndale area, graduating from Bigfork High School.

She married Pete E. Woll on June 29, 1937, in Kalispell, and lived on the same family farm until moving to Brendan House in 2008. She had been a 4-H leader in Lower Valley for many years.

Virginia worked at the Kalispell General Hospital, was lead cook for Eva Gates Preserves, and was involved in the Hodgson Home Craft club. Her last employment before retiring was with Chris and Arlene Levengood.

Virginia was preceded in death by her parents, Harry and Jessie Rolston; husband, Pete E. Woll; brother, Bill Rolston; and two sisters, Marie Kitzmiller and Martha

Bishop.

She is survived by two sons, Harry and wife, Lonnie Woll, and Pete C. and wife, Brenda Woll; daughter, Darlene, and husband, Ray Sanders; nine grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Visitation for Virginia will be held from 10 a.m. to 1:45 p.m. Monday, Aug. 24, at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home, with Pastor Ron Pierce officiating. Burial will follow at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

The family suggests memorial contributions be made to Home Options Hospice, 171 Commons Loop, Suite 100, Kalispell, MT 59901.

Friends are encouraged to visit the Web site at www.buffalohillfh.com to leave condolences for the family. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Kenneth A. Woodham, 57

Ken Woodham, 57, of Tacoma, Wash., formerly of Whitefish, passed away on April 27, 2009. He was born and raised in Garden City, Mich., the son of Francis and Helen Woodham.



Ken graduated from Garden City West High School in 1969 and enlisted in the U.S. Air Force in April 1971. His first permanent assignment was at the U.S. Air Force Hospital in Wiesbaden, Germany, where he was stationed until 1975.

From 1975 to 1979 he attended Florida State University, where he obtained his degree in nursing. He then became an officer in the U.S. Air Force Nurse Corps, where he remained until he retired in 1992.

Ken was very proud of his military service to his country. His Air Force career took him overseas, as well as many parts of the U.S. (including his beloved Alaska). By this time his family had grown by three beautiful children with his wife Debbie, and it was time to establish some permanent roots. Whitefish then became

the family home.

Ken worked at North Valley Hospital as the infection control and quality assurance coordinator until 1999, when he moved to the Seattle/Tacoma area of Washington. While in Washington, he was one of the most sought-after rotating trauma nurses at several hospitals in the Tacoma area, where he met his current wife, Denise.

Ken will be missed greatly by many and remembered by all who had the chance to get to know this remarkable man.

Ken was preceded in death by his parents, Francis and Helen Woodham.

He is survived by his wife, Denise Woodham, of Tacoma; three children, Seth Woodham of Bozeman, Tyler Woodham of Kalispell, and Katelin Woodham of Kalispell; brothers, Dale and Wendy Woodham of Kenly, N.C., and Jim and Debbie Woodham of Oneonta, N.Y.; and sister, Diane, and Lou Mendoza of Dearborn, Mich.; along with numerous other relatives and friends.

A celebration of life will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, May 16, at the Whitefish City Beach pavilion, with Pastor Huston Green officiating with full military honors. Please bring a memory or story to share.

Arline C. 'Pokey' Woltz, 90

Arline C. "Pokey" Woltz, 90, died Thursday, Feb. 27, 2009, at her home in Libby.

Survivors include a daughter, Kay Woltz, of Libby.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, March 5, at St.

Joseph Catholic Church in Libby.

Visitation will be from 1 to 7 p.m. on Wednesday with rosary at 7 p.m.

Arrangements are by Schnackenberg and Nelson Funeral Home in Libby.

Joyce Workman, 70

Joyce Workman, mother, daughter, sister and friend, died on June 14, 2009, peacefully at her home in Kalispell.



Surrounded by family and friends she made during her memorable life. She was born to Ross and Mayme (Moore) Duke in Mitchell, S.D., on Nov. 4, 1938.

The family moved to Cut Bank in 1951, and following graduation she attended Carroll College. Most of Joyce's life was devoted to education, teaching in Catholic schools in Baltimore, Salt Lake City, and St. Matthew's in Kalispell. She also served with the Peace Corps for two years in Sierra Leone, West Africa. She completed her own education at Flathead Valley Community College in 2003.

Joyce brought her artistic ability and love of teaching to her Creative Memories business which she shared with her daughter Katie. She touched many lives and had a special bond with those she inspired to make photo albums, tell their family stories and make every moment count.

The last several years she enjoyed many special events and high school sports in

the Flathead area with her companion, Doug Wendt, of Whitefish.

She was preceded in death by her parents; and brother, Dan.

Survivors include her daughters, Colleen Hofland of Whitefish, Danette Bell of Bozeman, and Katie Robinson and husband, Gene, of Salt Lake City; grandchildren, Jamie Beaumont, Jackson Bell, Ashley Wierda and husband Eddie, Andrew and Daniel Robinson, and Daniel Rose; sister and brother-in-law, Judy and Jim Harrington; two great-granddaughters; and many nieces and nephews, and cherished friends.

A rosary service will be held at 6 p.m. today, June 17, at St. Matthew's Catholic Church in Kalispell. A Funeral Mass will be held at 12:10 p.m. on Thursday, June 18, at St. Matthew's Catholic Church.

The family suggests that any memorial contributions be made to Glacier Presbyterian Youth Camp, P.O. Box 384, Lakeside, MT 59922; or St. Matthew's Catholic School, 602 S. Main Street, Kalispell, MT 59901.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for Joyce's family. You are invited to go to www.jgfuneralhome.com to offer condolences and sign Joyce's guest book.

Leona B. Woodyard, 89

Leona B. Woodyard, 89, died Saturday, July 18, 2009, at her daughter's residence in Whitefish.

No services will be held. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Albert Lawrence 'Larry' Wrenn Jr., 53

Albert Lawrence "Larry" Wrenn Jr., 53, of Kalispell, died

Thursday, May 7, 2009, at Kalispell Regional

Medical Center. He was born April 9, 1956, in Havre, to Lois Blair (Butterfield) Wrenn and Albert Lawrence Wrenn Sr. He attended elementary and high school in Havre, joining the U.S. Army in 1975. While serving in Ohio, he married his first wife, Carla, and to that union was born one son, Carl Jason Wrenn. The couple later divorced.

For many years after leaving the military, Al traveled the country with his beloved Doberman, "Red." He married the love of his life, Becky (Rebecca Grossmann Wrenn) on June 26, 1999, and he credited Becky for saving his sanity. Their years together were the happiest of Al's life.

Al attended Flathead Valley Community College, was past president of FVCC's Veteran's Association and a member of Kalispell's American Legion Post.

Quick-witted and quick-tempered, Al was tender-hearted with a great sense of humor. He was passionate about his art and photography and was a military history enthusiast. He loved family, friends, children and



animals. Gardening with his wife Becky and making homemade wines were two of Al's favorite pastimes.

Al was happiest in the great outdoors. Wild deer often followed him on his nightly security rounds at Glacier National Park. While working summers in Yellowstone Park, he gained the nickname "The Elk Whisperer" from fellow Yellowstone staff. Al later worked as a delivery driver and sales representative for High Country Linen until deteriorating health forced him to resign last year.

Al was preceded in death by his mother; and an aunt, Margaret "Peggy" Knapp.

He is survived by wife, Becky, of Kalispell; stepsons, Benjamin Grossmann of Stillwater, Okla., and Gabriel Grossmann of Columbia Falls; son, Carl Jason Wrenn, of Ohio; sisters, Lita and Wayne Thiselle of Havre, and Laura and Kelly Steen of Kinsey; brother, Richard, and Barbara Wrenn, of Milton, Fla.; father, Albert, and Kim Wrenn Sr., of Lisbon, Maine; half brother, Patrick, and Becky Wrenn of River Falls, Wis.; uncle and aunt, Richard and Laurel Knapp, of Havre; numerous nieces and nephews; and a multitude of beloved friends from around the world.

A memorial honoring Al's life will be held June 27 at Kalispell's rural Birch Grove Community Center, starting at 3 p.m. A potluck barbecue picnic will follow.

Cheryl Lee Swan-Wright, 54

Cheryl Lee Swan-Wright, 54, passed away at her home in Kalispell on Tuesday, Nov. 17, 2009, after a short battle with a rare form of cancer. She was born on May 12, 1955, in Lewistown, to Frank and Virginia Swan.



After high school she pursued college studies in jazz dance and arts.

She started working as a certified nursing assistant at the age of 16. After moving to the Flathead Valley in 1982, Cheryl worked as a certified nursing assistant at the hospital and then proceeded to work for Heritage Place. She was given many awards over the years for her achievements in excellent care given to her residents. She was loved by all.

We would all like to send a special thanks to the volunteers who helped us in our time of need.

She was preceded in death by her father, Frank Swan, in 1984; and her mother, Virginia Swan, in 2008.

She is survived by her

husband, Aaron Jordan, of Kalispell; her three children, Terri Mansfield-Wright, Tim Witherspoon and Kanisa Witherspoon, of Kalispell; her two grandchildren, Kendra McKoon and Domonick Baker, and her expected grandson, Drake Brechbill, all of Kalispell; four stepchildren, Todd and Jason Jordan, and Amber and Alan Keithley; two stepgrandchildren, Hannah and Gavin Keithley, of Missoula; four sisters, JoAnne Squire of Daytona Beach, Fla., Linda Norton of Borrego Springs, Calif., Marlene Huerta of Fairbanks, Alaska, and LaVonne McGladrey of Lincoln; two brothers, Donald Clark of San Jose, Calif., and Gilbert Fluery of Great Falls; along with numerous nieces, nephews and family members.

Memorial services for Cheryl will be held at 1 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 1, at the Christian Center, 255 Summit Ridge Dr., in Kalispell.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for Cheryl's family. You are invited to go to www.jgfuneralhome.com to view Cheryl's guest book, offer condolences and share memories.

Norma Rae Wuest, 78

Norma Rae Wuest, 78, of Libby died from natural causes Tuesday, April 7, 2009, at St. John's Lutheran Hospital.

She had worked in the clothing industry for many years.

Survivors include her children, Pauline Churchill of Spokane, and Wally

Wuest of Salem, Ore.; and mother, Edith Pival, of Libby.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Friday, April 10, at the Schnackenberg and Nelson Funeral Home Chapel in Libby.

Arrangements are by Schnackenberg and Nelson Funeral Home in Libby.

Myrna J. Wullger, 74

Myrna J. Wullger, 74, of Libby died of natural causes Wednesday, April 22, 2009, at St. John's Lutheran Hospital.

Survivors include her children, Roxanne Countryman of Brush Prairie, Wash., Rick Langton and Jeanette Hull, both of Baker City, Ore., and

Joe Langton of Puyallup, Wash.

Services will be held at 11:30 a.m. Monday, April 27, at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Libby.

Arrangements are by Schnackenberg and Nelson Funeral Home in Libby.

Bradley Alan Wright, 50

Bradley Alan Wright, 50, passed away Wednesday, Feb. 11, 2009, at his residence in Kalispell. Brad was born Aug. 7, 1958, in Whittier, Calif., to Ilene and Russell Wright.



He grew up in Whittier; Ventura, Calif.; and Anchorage, Alaska, and moved to Kalispell with his mom, sister and two brothers in 1969.

He attended Flathead High School with the class of 1976. Brad had been employed in the gold mines of Nevada, casinos in Las Vegas and fishing boats in Alaska, and always returned to the Flathead Valley.

Brad excelled in writing music and playing guitar and enjoyed a great game of cribbage. He often talked of a special trip to Hawaii he had shared, and he never gave up on his Oakland Raiders.

Brad had been in declining health for a few years and had been intensely studying his Bible, seeking comfort and understanding.

Brad was preceded in death

by his father, Russell, in 1963; and his brother, Randall, in 1994.

He is survived by his mother, Ilene, and stepfather, Larry O. Lee, of Lake Havasu City, Ariz.; two daughters, Lacy Wright of Kalispell, and Briana Savatter of Lake Havasu City; one brother, Kyle Wright, of Kalispell; three sisters, Leshia Wright of Cave Creek, Ariz., Libbe Gilbert of Lake Havasu City, and Elizabeth Anderson of Coeur d'Alene; niece, Lexi Wright, of Chicago; five nephews, Austin Wright of Kalispell, Tyler Lee of Lake Havasu City, and Evan Anderson of Coeur d'Alene; and good friends, DJ and Betty Clark, of Kalispell.

Private family services were held Feb. 17 at Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home. Burial will be in Lebanon, Mo., alongside his father and brother.

Condolences can be sent to Ilene Lee at 321 South Lake Havasu Ave., Lake Havasu City, AZ 86403.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home is caring for Bradley's family. You are invited to go to www.jgfuneralhome.com to offer condolences and sign Bradley's guest book.