

Natalie Kay Eaton, 26

Natalie Kay Eaton, 26, died Wednesday, Oct. 13, 2010, at her home in Kalispell.

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

Elizabeth A. Earle, 81

Elizabeth A. Earle, 81, of Libby, died Monday, July 19, 2010, at St. John Lutheran Hospital in Libby.

Rosary will be said at 7 p.m. Friday, July 23,

at the Schnackenberg & Nelson Funeral Home in Libby. Mass of the Resurrection will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, July 24, at St. Joseph Catholic Church.

David Warren Eastlund, 56

David Warren Eastlund, 56, died Tuesday, Oct. 26, 2010, as a result of a tragic accident in North Dakota.



He was born on Aug. 10, 1954, in Kalispell, the son of Hollister "Holly" and Joyce (Heggen) Eastlund.

He grew up in Kalispell and graduated from Flathead High School in 1972, and attended the University of Montana.

In 1977, Dave married Sheela Pasche, and they had two children, Sam and Sarah. They later divorced.

Dave was an insurance agent in Kalispell and Plentywood, and then went into the furniture store business in Shelby, Palm Springs and Boise, Idaho. For the past two years, he was driving tanker trucks in the oil fields near Watford City and Williston, N.D., where he worked hard, gaining the respect of his employers and fellow drivers.

Dave loved music, especially the country outlaws and the blues masters.

You could call Dave with a trivia question on any subject and he'd know the answer. His sense of humor was immense and his jokes were many and memorable. Dave made so many friends every place he went and remained in touch with many of them to his last day. His knowledge of sports was unlimited and his memory sharp as a tack.

Dave is survived by his children, Sam Eastlund of Boise, Idaho, and Sarah Eastlund of Missoula; his parents, Holly and Joyce Eastlund, of Kalispell; his brother, Gary Eastlund, and wife, Ginger, of McMinnville, Ore.; and numerous aunts, uncles, cousins and many, many friends.

Memorial services for Dave will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6, at The First Church of The Nazarene in Kalispell, at 1295 Whitefish Stage Road.

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

Randy D. Edgmon, 61

Randy D. Edgmon, 61, of Libby died Tuesday, April 20, 2010, at St. John's Lutheran Hospital, due to cancer.

He is survived by his wife, Barbara, of Libby; son Bryce Edgmon, and

daughter Kelley Creighton, both of Kalispell; and mother, Fern Wilson, of Visalia, Calif.

A celebration of his life will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, April 24, at the Veterans of Foreign Wars in Libby.

John L. Edwards, 72

John L. Edwards, 72, of Eureka, died Jan. 1, 2010, at his home.

Survivors include his wife, Donna; and two daughters, Nona Edwards-Keeler of Helena, and Nita Lucey of Marysville, Wash.

Cremation has taken

place. A celebration of his life will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 16, at the First Baptist Church of Eureka with the Rev. Pat Lovitt officiating.

Arrangements are by Schnackenberg & Nelson Funeral Home in Eureka.

Bill Edmisson, 89

Bill Edmisson, 89, an oilfield engineer from Rollins, died on Aug. 13, 2010, of natural causes.

He previously resided in Shelby and Cut Bank. A funeral memorial will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 17, at Whitted Funeral Chapel in Cut Bank. A gathering of family and friends will follow at the home of Randy and Lisa Edmisson, 333 Sixth Ave. S.E., Cut Bank.

Survivors include four sons and five daughters-in-law, Billy and Debbie of Denver, Randy and Lisa of Cut Bank, John and Julie of Colorado Springs, Colo., and Bryan and Linda, and June Smiley of Newport News, Va.; nine grandchildren, Tammy, Paul, Jennifer, Jessy, Joshua, Shelly, Briana, Amy and Tiffany; and six great-grandchildren, Dristen, Aspen, Quentin, Anneliese, Sierra and Laiya.

Bill was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Dee; two sons, Michael and Patrick; and one grandson, Tim.

Bill's father worked in the oilfield and traveled across the western United States as new fields opened up. As a boy, Bill traveled with his parents everywhere from Wyoming to New Mexico. He followed in his father's footsteps, and as a young man began working as a roughneck on oil rigs.

Bill enlisted in the Army Air Corps during World War



II and later was transferred into the newly formed Air Force. He acted as a tail-gunner in B-17 flying fortresses, flying 23 missions in the European theater with the 332nd Bombardment Squadron. During the Korean Conflict, he was recalled to active duty and used his knowledge of machine guns to help refurbish old planes used in World War II so they could be used in Korea.

Bill married Delores Byrne in Kansas in 1946. He continued to work in the oilfield as he and Dee raised a family of six boys. His boys recall fondly taking family vacations to visit Bill's parents on their peach orchard in Colorado.

He supported his family by working as a perforator in Montana, Wyoming and North Dakota. During his oilfield career, he formed Jetco Logging Co. in Cut Bank.

As their boys grew up and moved away, Bill and Dee made their home in Cut Bank and later in Rollins.

Bill enjoyed gardening, hunting and fishing, and spending time with family. He loved musician Herb Alpert. Whenever a new Herb Alpert album came out, it was the perfect birthday or Christmas gift for him.

Bill was a member of the American Legion and the Elks Club.

Memorials are suggested for the Glacier Care Center, Northern Rockies Medical Center in Cut Bank or the donor's choice.

Condolences may be submitted to www.whittedfuneralchapel.com.

Edith Edwards, 80

Edith Edwards, 80, died Tuesday March 23, 2010, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center in Kalispell. Private family services are being held. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for the family.

Amos 'Jack' Egge, 82

Amos "Jack" Egge, 82, died Tuesday, March 9, 2010, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center in Kalispell. He is survived by his daughter, Arlette Egge, of Helena; and son, Alan Egge, of Florence. Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Don Egner, 65

A memorial service for Don Egner, 65, who was found dead in his home on Sunday, Aug. 1, 2010, will be held at noon on Sunday, Aug. 8, at Glacier Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, 1515 Trumble Creek Road, Kalispell. There will be a potluck after the Sunday service before the

memorial. Egner will be remembered as a generous volunteer, and all who were helped by him are welcome to this event. If you would like to add something to the service, please contact Julia McKay, new minister at Glacier Unitarian Universalist Fellowship (212-4763).

Donald Edison Egner, 65

Donald Edison Egner died in his sleep on Tuesday, July 27, 2010, at his home in Kalispell. Don was 65 years old. He was born in Buffalo, N.Y., on Nov. 15, 1944, to parents Margaret and Edison Egner. He was raised in Buffalo, along with his sister, Dolores Hengel, and attended Clarence High School.

Don served in the U.S. Army, primarily in Germany, from 1967 to 1971. He graduated from West Georgia College of Carrollton, Ga., with a degree in math. While in college, he met and married Mary Josephine Muse, whom he later divorced.

Don returned to Buffalo and worked for over 20 years at National Fuel Gas. A visit to Montana convinced him that it would be an ideal place to live after retiring in 2000.

In Kalispell, Don was an active member of Glacier Unitarian Universalist Fellowship and had been serving as board treasurer for the congregation. He also spent time volunteering at the Flathead Food Bank and with Volunteer Income Tax Assistance. Recently Don had been learning how to play

the guitar and he was an avid reader.

The communities that he found through service to his church and his volunteer activities provided him with enormous support throughout his life in Montana.

Don was preceded in death by his parents, and his sister.

He will be greatly missed by his family, including his daughter, Amanda Hunsaker, and her husband, Brady, and their son, Thomas, all of Pittsburgh. Surviving family members also include his uncle, William Gehl, of Forth Worth, Texas; and nieces and nephews, Cathy O'Rourke and Ned of Los Angeles, Matthew Hengel and Carol of Philadelphia, Mark Hengel and Angie of Vista, Calif., and Sarah Cheung and David of Plainfield, N.J.

A memorial service will be held from noon to 1 p.m. on Sunday, Aug. 8, at Glacier Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, 1515 Trumble Creek, Kalispell.

Donations can be made in Don's honor to Flathead Food Bank, 1203 Highway 2 West, Kalispell, MT 59901, www.flatheadfoodbank.com.

Ted Ehrenberg, 62

Ted Ehrenberg peacefully passed away at his home after a year-long battle with metastatic melanoma on Thursday, Dec. 30, 2010.

Ted was born in Gelsenkirchen, Germany in 1948 and moved to Pittsburgh when he was five years old. As a child and young adult, he spent weekends fishing on the Allegheny River with his parents. In high school he was a gymnast, and went to Penn Hills High School.

He graduated from Penn State University in 1970 with a degree in business administration and finance and was a member of Phi Kappa Sigma. After graduation, Ted decided to drive his VW Bug to Vail, Colo., and worked in Pepi Granschammer's ski shop, then as a carpenter, and ended up building some of the first condos in Keystone. As Vail got bigger, he heard about Whitefish and the Big Mountain, and moved to Whitefish 35 years ago. He shared a property at the base of Big Mountain Road with Jim Poplawski, worked as a carpenter and then later as a general contractor. From 1979 to 1990 he was married to



Bonni Pace and they shared many happy years together.

He met Joan Vetter on a sailboat in 1991 at North Flathead Yacht Club, where they raced for 10 years. He had left construction and became a real estate appraiser during this time. In 1995 Joan and Ted were married at their home in Hidden Valley. Katelyn Janney Ehrenberg was born three years later. Five years ago, Ted became project manager for Glacier Bank and finally reverted to carpentry, the job he loved most. Ted was a wonderful Dad to Katelyn, a loving husband, avid fly fisherman and alpine skier. He was always busy working with wood or getting the boat ready to go fishing.

He is survived by his wife Joan; daughter, Kate; father Theo; mother, Gerda; and many relatives in Germany.

In lieu of flowers, a donation may be made to The Katelyn Ehrenberg Education Fund - A Roth Account, at Glacier Bank, 6195 U.S. 93 S. Whitefish.

The memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. on Tuesday Jan. 4, at All Saints' Episcopal Church at 2048 Conn Rd. (across from Dillon Road off Montana 40). A reception will follow from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. at Grouse Mountain Lodge, 1 Fairway Drive in Whitefish.

Donald Claus Eisinger, 87

We said good-bye to our dad at noon on Thursday, July 29, 2010. Don celebrated his 87th birthday this past March 12. He was one of seven children born to George and Margaret (Goettches) Eisinger of Wayzata, Minn. Raised in Wayzata, he married his high school sweetheart, Grace Carey, in December of 1946. Their marriage spanned six decades! Proud to be an American, Don was a decorated World War II veteran and served as a medic in the Europe/African, South Pacific and North American Theatre. After the war, Don came out West and landed a job with the Forest Service, fighting blister rust in the Haugen area; later he would get on with the Great Northern Railroad in Whitefish. He retired from the railroad after 34 years of service. Don and Grace raised their five children in Whitefish, where he personally built the family home on West Fourth Street. After retiring, Don and Grace spent the winters in the sunny south, before coming back home full time in 1997. Don enjoyed the outdoors or was in his workshop building something. He was never one to sit around and he loved to visit with everyone. Don and Grace lived at Buffalo Hill Terrace where he was a wonderful baker and shared his goodies with many of the residents. After Grace passed away, he moved into a townhouse and, in 2008, he moved in with his daughter and son-in-law, Carol and Rick Walker. Don joins his most cherished wife, Grace, and youngest son, Doug, in the garden of eternal peace. He is survived by his daughters and sons-in-law, Carol and Rick Walker of Kalispell, and Linda and Jesse Payne of Wheatland, Mo.; daughter, Connie Eisinger, of Missoula; and son and daughter-in-law, Tom and Billie Eisinger, of Whitefish; grandchildren, Chris Cahill, Carey Cahill, Jerod Eisinger, Ricky Eisinger; great-grandchildren, Kimberly Cahill and Katlyn Eisinger; brothers, Kermit, Leonard and Howard; and numerous nieces and nephews. Dad was a tower of strength, a big man with a big heart. We will always have the wonderful memories of the ideal family, living in a prosperous time and in the Last Best Place! Thanks, Mom and Dad, for all the right stuff! There will be a memorial service at a later date. Johnson - Gloschat Funeral Home is caring for Don's family. You are invited to go to www.jgfuneralhome.com to offer condolences and sign Don's guest book.



Clarence Oscar 'Swede' Ekholt, 87

Clarence Oscar "Swede" Ekholt, 87, passed away on Thursday, Nov. 4, 2010, at Health Center Northwest in Kalispell.

He was born on May 9, 1923, in Dunkirk, the youngest of six children, to Oscar and Mary (Halen) Ekholt.

Clarence began his early education in a small country school before moving with his parents to Shelby at the age of 12; there he continued his studies. He worked with his brother-in-law doing lathe and plaster before working with his uncle on his farm. In 1943, Clarence joined the U.S. Army and served his country in the European Theater where he was wounded during the Battle of the Bulge. After separating in 1945, he worked in Seattle for a short time before moving to the Flathead Valley. Here he worked with his brother-in-law at Stan Craft Boats and learned cabinet making.

Clarence met Betty Drake and they were married on Dec. 8, 1950 in Kalispell where they began their family. After Stan Craft, he worked for Lee Craft before operating his own boat company. Clarence built cabinets while working for Bob Erickson and Arrowhead Construction before starting his own shop. He was very successful and ran his

shop until retiring in the mid 1990s. He was awarded the Citation of Honor award from the Kalispell Architect Association in 1976. After retiring, Clarence enjoyed spending his time designing and building boats and model planes. He loved wood carving and often fabricated his own tools.

Clarence was preceded in death by his wife, Betty; and four sisters.

He is survived by his son, Bill Ekholt and wife, Susanne, of Kalispell; and two daughters, Roberta Cline and husband, Randy, of Frenchtown, and Eva Kaiser and husband, Lane, of Kalispell; one sister, Nel Pritchett of Butte; as well as five grandchildren, Mary, Lane, Bill, Lendelyn and Paul John; two great-grandchildren, Donny and Alex; along with numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral services for Clarence will be held at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 10, at Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church with Pastor Mark Cutler officiating. Burial will follow at the Glacier Memorial Gardens. Visitation will be from 1 to 6 p.m. Tuesday at Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home.

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

Rhonda Lynn 'Sparky' Ekvall, 40

Rhonda Lynn "Sparky" Ekvall, 40, died Saturday, Dec. 11, 2010, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center.

She is survived by her children, Jessica Cushman and James Ekvall of Hungry Horse; and her

mother, Nina Brown of Kalispell.

Memorial services will be announced at a later date.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for the family.

Lavert Boone Elkins, 91

Lavert Boone Elkins, 91, passed away May 24, 2010, at Heritage Place in Kalispell, of natural causes. She was born Jan 21, 1919, in Linden, Texas, and raised in Alexandria, La.



She graduated with a degree in early childhood education from West Valley College in San Jose, Calif.

In 1939, Lavert married Charlie Elkins in Hawthorne, Calif.

Lavert was the administrator and owner of Green Hills Preschool for 11 years until her retirement. Prior to her work at the preschool, she was a homemaker, mother and wife.

She enjoyed art, especially drawing and painting, Bible study and Christian fellowship groups.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 50 years, Charlie Elkins, who passed away in 1989; her brother, Dan Boone; and mother, Annie Ingram.

Lavert is survived by her sons, Garris and wife, Jan, and Dwain and wife, Carol; grandchildren, Heather Elkins Holmquist and husband Wes, Chuck Elkins and wife Kristina, Matt Elkins and wife Keah, Jim Elkins, David Elkins and Anna Elkins; and great-grandchildren, Hadley and Harper Holmquist, and Baelyn and Ever Elkins.

A private family burial will be held at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

Memorials are suggested to the charity of your choice

Gladys Ferree Ellenburg, 94

Gladys Ferree Ellenburg, 94, of Kalispell, passed away at the Immanuel Lutheran Home on Monday, Nov. 15, 2010.



Gladys was born on Feb. 14, 1916, in Herrin, Ill., to Charles Turner and Laura (Ferrell) Turner.

At 2 months old, Gladys returned to Big Sandy, where she grew up on a ranch and graduated from high school in 1933.

In 1939, she married K.C. "Bill" Marlow in Big Sandy. They had one daughter, Sandra. Gladys and her sister Virginia served as postmistresses while their husbands served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. After the war, Gladys and Bill owned Pep's Place. Later they moved to Whitefish, where they built their home and owned and operated Sandra's Dress Shop. Bill passed away in 1957.

Gladys married Dr. Virgil Ferree in 1960. They raised Tennessee walking horses, which they enjoyed riding in the wilderness and parks throughout the Northwest. Dr. Ferree passed away in 1982. Gladys loved showing her horses, dancing, traveling and entertaining.

In 1982, Gladys married Ralph Ellenburg; they spent their retirement years traveling around the world with

their friends Clay and Gail Thomason. Ralph died in 2006.

Gladys was preceded in death by her parents, Charles and Laura Turner; sister, Jenny Cowan; half brothers, Joe, Jullian, Martin and Charlie Turner; and half sister, Fern Martin.

Gladys is survived by her daughter, Sandra and Art Lindlief, and their four children, Pennijo and Ted Tompkins, Kelly and Dan Sibley, Amy Marko and Lance Lindlief. There are numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren, great-great-grandchildren, and nieces and nephews who are going to miss their "GG".

She "lived."

There will be a visitation for Gladys from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 20, at Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Monday, Nov. 22, at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 603 S. Main St., Kalispell, with a celebration of life luncheon to follow at the Elks Club.

Memorials may be made to Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Home Options Hospice, 430 Windward Way, Kalispell, MT 59901; or The Humane Society, P.O. Box 221, Kalispell, MT 59903.

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

Gloria M. Elletson, 79

Gloria M. Elletson, 79, of Libby, formerly of Kalispell, died Friday, May 28, 2010, at her home on the Kootenai River from natural causes.

Survivors include her children, Arlowayne Reilly of Troy, Georgia Bothman and Rodney Elletson,

both of Libby, and Tena Manion of Three Forks.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Friday, June 4, at the Libby Christian Church. Visitation will be from 4 to 8 p.m. on Thursday.

Arrangements are by Schnackenberg & Nelson Funeral Home in Libby.

Geraldine 'Geri' Emmert, 77

Geraldine "Geri" Emmert, 77, of Raton, N.M., passed away March 17, 2010, in Raton, after a courageous, hard-fought battle with cancer. She was born June 3, 1932, in White Bear Lake, Minn. She was the first-born daughter of Frank F. Newbury and Mary Hare Newbury.



In the spring of 1945, Geri moved from Wisconsin to Montana with her folks and six siblings living in a tin shack built on the back of a 1 1/2 ton '37 Chevy truck. They settled in the Olney area. Geri was a spunky, young gal who in her childhood loved to box with her older brothers.

While attending Whitefish High School, she worked as a live-in housekeeper and nanny for a well-respected doctor, going home only on the weekends. After graduating, Geri went to work for Hendricksen Motors in Kalispell. It was then, on her daily carpool commuting, that she got to know the love of her life William "Bill" Emmert.

Bill and Geri were married on Sept. 7, 1952, and would have celebrated their 58th anniversary this year. They have four children, 17 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren.

Geri had a real passion and appreciation for life, laughter and family. She would often say that keeping one's sense of humor was essential to preserving one's sanity through life's many struggles. She had an exceptional knack for interior decorating and had great, largely unexplored, artistic potential. Geri particularly enjoyed travel and her long rides through the country-

side with family and friends. Therapy for the soul, she would often say!

Perhaps her greatest gift was her deep sense of compassion for those who were suffering emotionally or from physical illness. She would literally spend days upon days searching through her vast medical library to find some comfort and direction for those in need, at times even putting her own well-being at risk. Even though she experienced a lifetime of serious health issues she always praised God for his love and mercy.

The last several years she was intensely focused on knowing God. She committed to countless hours of prayer and study of the Scripture just to get close to Him. Her family and friends take great comfort knowing she is now at peace and made whole, resting in His presence after such a long hard battle.

She was preceded in death by her sister, Barbara Quilling; nephew, Robert "Bobby" Eyre; nephew, Glen Speer; great-nephew, Erin Emmert; and grandson, Joseph Reid.

She is survived by her husband, Bill Emmert, of Raton, N.M.; children, Kathy and Roger McFadden of Columbia Falls, Tina Reid of Raton, Scott and Monica Emmert of Kalispell, and Terry and Katie Emmert of Douglas, Wyo.; brothers and sisters, Frank and Sally Newbury of Whitefish, Gerald and Mary Newbury of Whitefish, Carol Newbury Howe of Livingston, Millie Newbury Gee of Denver, Colo., and Helen and Randy Petsch of La Mesa, Calif.; and also Don and Joyce Emmert, and Evan and Shirley Speer, of Columbia Falls.

A memorial will be held in Kalispell at 11 a.m. on Saturday, April 10, at the First Baptist Church of Whitefish.

George T. 'Tim' Enders, 69

George T. "Tim" Enders, 69, died at Kalispell Regional Medical Center on Oct. 14, 2010, of natural causes.

He is survived by his four children.

Services will be at 1 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, at the City of Libby Cemetery with military honors. Arrangements are by Schnackenberg & Nelson Funeral Home.

Dorothy 'Mae' Engebritson, 93

Dorothy "Mae" Engebritson, 93, passed away June 1, 2010, at her home in Kalispell, just as she wanted it to be. She was born Oct.



4, 1916, in Scobey, to George and Mary (Mow) Hunter.

She spent her earlier years in Scobey and attended nursing school in Havre. She then moved to Kalispell, where she met and married the love of her life, Aril Engebritson, and they shared 70 wonderful years together. They had two children, a daughter, Vivian, and a son, Vernon.

Mae helped her husband build and remodel several houses. She was a farmer's wife in every sense of the role. She drove tractors, helped with the cattle, did the books, raised her children, and worked full time. She was a very hard worker.

She was a very caring person who was involved in many things for over 30 years. She worked at Flathead County and Kalispell Regional Hospital in the OB department as an LPN, was active in the Birch Grove Willing Workers, Neighbors in Need, and Woman United, and was a Charter member of Calvary Lutheran Church, where she was still an active member until her death.

She was known for her famous homemade cinnamon rolls, family holiday dinners, and the handmade blankets, tablecloths, and clothes that she sewed, crocheted or knit-

ted. Her yard was always beautiful with flowers, a big garden, and an open heart.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband of 70 years, Aril Engebritson; grandson, James Engebritson; granddaughter, Annette Berryman; great-granddaughter, Jennifer Engebritson; and three brothers and three sisters.

She is survived by her sister, Evelyn Lash, of Seattle; daughter, Vivian Engebritson-Brunett, and husband, Jim, of Tucson, Ariz.; son, Vernon and wife, Agnes, of Kalispell; grandchildren, Terry Caudill and husband Mike, Tina Engebritson, and Vernon Engebritson and wife, Tracy, of Kalispell; great-grandchildren, Trevor, Mikey and Lisa Caudill, Chance and Cheyene Overnick, Chrissy Van Zant and husband John, and Shane and Kyle Engebritson, all of Kalispell, and Brandon and Nathan Berryman of Virginia; great-great-grandchildren, Mya Mcneely, Jowell Engebritson, Taeryn Caudill and Talyn Richardson.

Funeral services for Mae will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, June 4, at Calvary Lutheran Church in Kalispell, with Pastor Kurt Rau officiating. Visitation will take place an hour prior to the service. Mae will be laid to rest at Glacier Memorial Gardens.

The family suggests memorial donations can be made to Calvary Lutheran Church or Hospice.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home is caring for Mae's family. You are invited to go to www.jgfuneralhome.com

Solveig Alyssa Ensign, 32

Solveig Alyssa Ensign trusted Jesus as her savior.

On Jan. 21, 2011, at 12:15



a.m., "the uncreated life of God who indwelt her carried her home to be with him."

Solveig was born July 22, 1978, at her parents' home in the Swan Valley. She attended the one-room country school at Salmon Prairie and then moved to Bigfork when she was in the fourth grade. She graduated from Flathead High School and went to one year at Flathead Valley Community College.

She married Joseph Swenson. They had a beautiful baby girl named Nilla. Joe and Solveig parted ways soon after.

Solveig was an excellent jeweler, watercolorist and potter. She had a successful jewelry business called "way of the sun," which was inspired by her Norwegian name, Solveig.

Solveig loved any outdoor sport. She was physically gifted and very graceful. She was a great skier, swimmer, and paddled with the Bigfork Outrigger team. She loved being at any lake in the summertime to bask in the sun.

Dancing and music were her passions, and she found

enormous comfort in spending time with people of any sort. She loved to laugh. Her laugh was contagious to all who were around her. Solveig had a strong will, courage and unconditional love for all.

Solveig made her home in Whitefish with her daughter and her partner, Tocatta. Solveig was a breath of fresh air and a ray of sunshine to everyone she met.

Solveig is survived by her parents, Dave and Linda Ensign of Ferndale; her sisters, Signe Ensign of Bigfork, Astrid Ensign of Portland and Liv Ensign of Kalispell; her brother, Haakon Ensign of Ferndale; her daughter, Nilla Swenson; her loving partner, Tocatta Spearman of Whitefish; and her grandpa, Eugene Nilsen of Henderson, Nev.

Memorials for Solveig may be given in the name of the Nilla Swenson college fund at Glacier Bank.

This is a great sorrow for Solveig's family and friends, but it is also a day of rejoicing. Solveig "is absent from the body and present with the Lord Jesus" (2 Corinthians 5:1-8).

There will be a graveside farewell at the Bigfork Community Cemetery at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 26, and a memorial gathering at 2:30 p.m. the same day at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home.

James Frederick Erhard, 74

James Frederick Erhard, 74, of Libby, died at home of natural causes on Aug. 21, 2010.

Jim was born Nov. 2, 1935, in Havre, to George and Gladys Erhard. Jim lived most of his early years at the home stead near Happy's Inn, outside of Libby. During World War II he moved, with his parents, to Spokane and Portland.

On April 8, 1958, he married Dixie Rose Basham of Troy. They lived in Libby until 1959, when they moved to Eureka, Calif. Jim worked in the timber industry as a log scaler for Simpson Timber and later for the Southern Oregon Scaling Bureau. Jim and Dixie lived in Arcata most of their California lives and raised their children there. Jim retired in 1996 while living in Pendleton, Ore.

Dixie died in 1995 and Jim married Nancy Booth on Nov. 26, 1998. They lived in Libby, where Jim became an

avid huckleberry picker and sent the fruits of his labor to people from Pennsylvania to Texas. He loved to give his huckleberries away and many a milkshake were made with his berries.

He is survived by his wife, Nancy of Libby; children, Linda (Smokey) Provence of Fieldbrook, Calif., Larry (Gayle) Kuwahara of Arcata, Calif., Tim (Kindy) Erhard of Weiser, Idaho, Terri Jones of Fieldbrook, Calif., and Traci (Don) Keller of Nampa, Idaho; grandchildren, Jennifer, Jeffrey, Jessica, Kyler, Taryn, Trena, Quinton, Christian, Nicholas, and Ferrari. Brothers Herman and John of Libby, Bill of San Diego and Sister Betty Cooper of Libby. He is also survived by 8 Great grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. on Sept. 4 at St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 109 W. Poplar, in Libby.

This paid obituary is being run again at the request of the family.

Frank Leslie Erickson, 66

Frank Leslie Erickson, 66, formerly of Libby, died June 28, 2010, in Pompano Beach, Fla.

He is survived by his wife, Sharon Erickson, of

Pompano Beach; and son, Tom Erickson, of Libby.

Memorial services were held July 9 in Florida. Services will be held in Libby at a later date.

Leonard E. Eslick, 86

Leonard E. Eslick, 86, passed away on Saturday, Jan. 23, 2010, at his residence in Kalispell. He was born on Oct. 7, 1923, to Carroll and Lillie (Isackson) Eslick, their only child, in a small house on Fifth Avenue West in Kalispell.

Leonard received his education in Bigfork/Swan River/Echo Lake Schools. He joined the Army and was stationed at the Headquarters Company of the 21st Infantry 24th Division. He saw duty in Australia, New Guinea, the Philippines and Japan. While being discharged, Leonard found out he had malaria and other related conditions. He spent the next 24 months on total bed rest and hospital therapy, and then was discharged from Seattle Hospital. Leonard left the hospital with only two pairs of socks, one shirt, one pair of pants, two pairs of underwear, 25 dollars in cash, and a ticket home to Kalispell.

After World War II, work was scarce yet he found work farming, logging and sawmilling with his cousins, "The Eslick Boys," from Bigfork. Leonard then got into electrical line work. He was foreman for erection crews that put the power lines into Swan Lake, Hungry Horse Dam, Anaconda Aluminum, Noxon and many other places around Montana, Idaho and Washington. He was a

50-year member of IBEW.

Leonard was best friends with Keith Marr, saving his life one time; they were best friends until Keith's passing in October of 2009.

Leonard was married for a brief time and from this union a son was born, Brad Eslick. Leonard was divorced when Brad was 4 months old. Leonard was a single parent for his entire life.

When cable TV first came to the Flathead he helped build and maintain the system. He worked for the local cable company until his retirement. His co-workers called him "Teddy Bear."

Leonard was happiest when he was at home with his dog Butch No. 5. He enjoyed the Flathead, fishing, hunting, snowmobiling and camping. Leonard considered himself a handyman, yet many of us found his softer side. He had quite a life experience, cheating death on several occasions both during World War II and after. During the last years of his life he relished his daily trips to Fred Meyer's and Smith's to see the girls.

Leonard is survived by his son, Brad Eslick, of Kalispell.

At Leonard's request, no services are planned.

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

Vernon J. Eslinger, 78

Vernon J. Eslinger, 78, died on Monday, Nov. 15, 2010, at Heritage Place in Kalispell.

Services are pending.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for the family.

Nathan Scot Evans, 3

Nathan Scot Evans, 3, passed away in Kalispell on Feb. 3, 2010. Nathan was born in Kalispell on May 31, 2006.



Nathan found his way into the hearts of all who came in contact with him. He spent so much of his last year fighting his cancer and finally he succumbed. He was such a little guy but his impact was immense. Nathan will forever be remembered and always loved. He left a void in those he left behind, but any memory will be that of endearment.

He was preceded in death by his grandmother, Petra Theresa Leach.

Nathan is survived by his parents, Carina Weiss and Joe O'Canina; big brother, Isaiah; and little sister, Lili-

ana; grandparents, Luis and Marilee Davis, and Juanita Bernabe; great-great-grandmother, Lee Carmen; aunts and uncles, Samantha and Michelle Leach, Sebastian and Kevin Weiss, Jess and Tim Sheill, Jeremy O'Canina, and Adam and Matthew Heastan; great-aunts and -uncles, Stacey and Scot Kirchoff, Patricia Lewis, John Lowe, Mary Bernabe, Dan Dahlke, and Joe and Mandy Bernabe; and cousins, Chloe and Claire Lewis, Isabella Lowe, Morgan Merideth, Luis Bernabe, Joey Pardue, and Ian and Osa Kirchoff.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 9, at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home. Visitation will be held from 9 a.m. to noon Tuesday.

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

Norma E. Evans, 90

Norma E. Evans passed away Sept. 6, 2010, in Kalispell.

She was born Feb. 5, 1920, in Great Falls, and spent her early years living in Canada. She met and married Albert Evans in Great Falls and moved to Whitefish in 1945, where she was a resident for 55 years, prior to moving to Kalispell.

Norma was preceded in death by her husband, Albert Evans; and daughter, Shirley Evans Mills.

She is survived by her two sons, Jack A. and Cherri Evans of Morrison, Colo., and Leonard "Butch" and Sharon Evans of Kalispell; three grandchildren and their spouses, Rick and Penny Evans, Tina Evans

of Colorado, and Shawn and Heesuk Evans of Virginia; and three great-grandchildren, Sebastian Evans of Colorado, and Alex and Allie Evans of Virginia.

Norma was very active and a longtime member of the Whitefish Moose Lodge. Her favorite pastimes were fishing, gardening and sewing.

Norma will be greatly missed by all who knew her.

Visitation will be held from 3 to 6 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 9, at Austin Funeral Home. Graveside services will be held at 1 p.m. Friday, Sept. 10, at Glacier Memorial Gardens.

Contributions may be made to Montana Association for the Blind, P.O. Box 465, Helena, MT 59624.

Raymond J. Etzler, 86

Raymond J. Etzler, 86, passed away on Nov. 9, 2010, in Kalispell.

Ray was born Sept. 7, 1924, in Minnesota.

He served in the U.S. Army during World War II.

Ray was a backhoe operator, who enjoyed being outdoors.

He married Alice Zierman on Jan. 30, 1947.

Although Ray will be greatly missed, God was preparing us. Months ago, 6-year-old Asa told Ray, "Grandpa, when God takes you to heaven, you won't have diabetes anymore."

Special thanks to all who cared for him, for prayers and emotional support.

"We release Ray to the Heavenly Father, knowing



we shall see him again with our Lord, Jesus Christ."

Ray is survived by his wife, Alice; sisters, Marie Rosenow and Donna Friedrichs; daughter, Patricia Duncan; sons, Larry Etzler and wife Karen, and Jim Etzler and wife Bev; seven grandchildren, Jenny Miller and husband Dave, Jerry Etzler, Michael Etzler and wife Jenna, Bryan Etzler, Ryan Etzler, Laura Roberts and husband Adam, and Sarah Etzler; and five great-grandchildren, Brittany Etzler, Asa Roberts, Fierra Roberts, Gavin and Ethan Miller.

A celebration of life service will be held at 10 a.m. on Friday, Nov. 12, at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home.

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

Shaina Patrice Evans, 20

Shaina Patrice Evans, 20, passed away June 27, 2010, near Lewistown, as a result of a motor vehicle accident.

She was born Feb. 28, 1990, in Havre, to Gary and Linda (Vercruyssen) Evans.

After a short stay in Havre, Shaina's family moved to Champagne, Ill., where she began her early education. In 1997 the family moved to Kalispell, and then in 1999 to North Platte, Neb. Moving back to Kalispell in 2001, Shaina attended school at Trinity Lutheran Elementary and then ninth grade at the middle school before going on to graduate from Flathead High School in 2008.

Shaina was a star athlete, lettering in basketball, softball and her favorite, volleyball. She also competed on the swim team her junior year while she was recuperating from a knee injury.

Shaina was very outgoing, friendly and energetic. She had an infectious enthusiasm and a caring way that drew people to her. She also had the honor of being selected homecoming queen her senior year. After graduation, Shaina went on to attend Montana State University-Northern on a volleyball scholarship. She loved the outdoors and was studying



biology so that she could pursue a career with the Fish, Wildlife and Parks and the Bureau of Land Management.

Shaina was preceded in death by her grandfather, Linda's father, Leonard Vercruyssen; and an uncle, Gary's brother, Scott Evans.

She is survived by her parents, Gary and Linda Evans, of Kalispell; two sisters, Nikki and Kallie; her grandparents, Russ and Kay Evans of Havre, and Barb and Gary Kropp of Kalispell; aunt and uncles, Daryl and Vicki Ness, and their daughters, Jennifer and Jacquelyne, of Albuquerque, N.M.; Kim and Cal Wirtzberger, and their sons, Danny and Katie and Patch, of Havre, and Russ and Lynette Evans, and their sons, Dillon, Josh and Tyler, of Minneapolis; as well as many other relatives and friends.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday, July 1, at Trinity Lutheran Church with Pastor Greg DeMuth officiating. Visitation will be from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday in the Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Chapel.

The family suggests memorial gifts be sent to MSU-Northern, Shaina Evans Volleyball Scholarship Fund, P.O. Box 7751, Havre, MT 59501.

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

Josi Jean Eve, 22

Josi Jean Eve, 22, of Great Falls, "left this earth to be with her Lord and Savior" on Friday, Aug. 27,



2010. Funeral liturgy was on Aug. 31 at Holy Spirit Catholic Church in Great Falls. Josi passed away at home, surrounded by her family, friends and beloved pets, four years after suffering a traumatic brain injury from an auto accident on Aug. 13, 2006.

Josi is survived by her father, Joseph, and Melanie, of Lakeside; her mother, Debra, and Bob Trujillo, of Great

Falls; sisters and brothers, Theresa and Daniel of Saratoga Springs, N.Y., Grant and Mercede of Great Falls. Kati of Billings, Lacey of Great Falls, and Miranda, Jacques and Dustin of Lakeside; her grandparents, and many aunts, uncles and cousins.

She was preceded in death by an uncle, Michael John Eve.

Memorials may be made to the YMCA of Great Falls, 220 2nd St. N., Great Falls, MT 59401; or to Montana Wilderness Association, 30 South Ewing, Helena, MT 59601; or to any charity that helps people or animals in need.

Condolences may be sent in care of: P.O. Box 9587, Kalispell, MT 59904.

Helen Marie Everett, 94

Helen Marie Everett, 94, passed away on Tuesday, Sept. 21, 2010, at the Kalispell Regional Medical Center, following a heart attack in Kalispell.



Helen was born in Silverton, Ore., on March 13, 1916. She was the only child of George and Ida Elton.

Helen attended school in Silverton, graduating in 1934. While visiting in Kalispell, she met her future husband, Lyal Everett.

Helen and Lyal were married on Dec. 29, 1937, in the parsonage of Central Christian Church in Kalispell. They were married for 52 years when Lyal suddenly passed away Dec. 30, 1989.

Helen was a homemaker who loved her Lord, family, flowers, gardening, fishing and traveling. A highlight of her travels was a trip to the British Isles with her two daughters.

At the time of her death, Helen was one of the oldest members of the Central Christian Church. She enjoyed attending her Women's Prayer Group every Wednesday morning. She was a charter member of Eastern Star.

Helen was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Lyal; and grandson, Joel Conrad.

Helen is survived by her daughters, Loretta and Charles Conrad of Kalispell, and Janice and Doug Knapp of Columbia Falls; and a son, Lynn Everett, and Virginia, of Portland; grandchildren, Wade and Star Conrad of Aloha, Ore., Todd and Bobbie Conrad of Kalispell; Kari Conrad Mockabee and Ty of Kalispell, Shawna and Jay Korth of Denver, Scott and Belinda Knapp of Cut Bank, Brenda and Kelsey West of Portland, and Bryan Everett and fiancée Sharon, of Portland; 12 great-grandchildren, three step-great-grandchildren, and one step-great-great-grandchild.

A memorial service for Helen will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 25, at the Central Christian Church in Kalispell, with Lois Lyford officiating. Prior to the memorial service, there will be a family burial at the C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

The family suggests memorial gifts be given to the Central Christian Church, or the charity of your choice.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for Helen's family. You are invited to www.jgfuneralhome.com to view Helen's tribute wall, offer condolences and share memories.