

Mary Logene Zauft, 84

Mary Logene Zauft, 84, of Kalispell, died of natural causes on Saturday, March 26, 2011, at Heritage Place.

She was born in Minnesota on May 1, 1926, the only child to George A. and Mildred R. Walters. "Logene" worked at the Sage Building, which housed the front line of defense for the U.S. Air Force for many years in Minnesota.

In 1950, she fell in love with and married Richard Zauft. In 1959, they bought a house in International Falls, Minn. Together in 1962, they purchased and operated Tang of the North, a fishing resort in Canada, for 16 years. During the summer they resided in International Falls.

When they retired, they moved to Montana and continued their dream life.

Mom was a wonderful, car-

ing person who made friends easily. She worked hard all her life but always had time for family and friends, and that made her the happiest.

"She really was an angel in disguise, and now she is a real one looking over all the ones she loved."

Logene is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Dorne and Jeff Diesen, of Kalispell; son, Gary Zauft and family, of Wisconsin; and many dear friends.

Memorial Mass will be said at 2 p.m. Tuesday, April 5, at Risen Christ Catholic Church. Interment will follow at Forest Hills Cemetery in Duluth, Minn.

Friends are encouraged to visit the website, www.buffalohillfh.com, to leave notes of condolence for the family.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Gilbert Edward Zimbelman, 93

Gilbert Edward Zimbelman of Great Falls passed away on Friday, Sept. 2, 2011.

Born Jan. 13, 1918, Gilbert was 93 years young.

He was preceded in death by his mother and father, Edward T. Zimbelman and Clara (Kauk) Zimbelman; and his sister, Viola Heien.

He is survived by his wife, Othilda Irene "Tillie" Zimbelman. He is also survived by his four children, Jerry and Karlyn Zimbelman of Conrad, Jean and LeRoy Cyr of East Helena, Larry and Beth Zimbelman of Conrad, and Linda and Rob Fee of Friendswood, Texas; plus 14 grandchildren, and 22 great-grandchildren.

On Thanksgiving night 1938, Gilbert and his cousin attended a dance where he was introduced to Othilda. That night he told his cousin, "I'm going to marry that woman." Five weeks later, on New Year's Eve, they were married at the Rainbow Hotel in Great Falls. On New Year's Eve 2010 they celebrated 72 years of marriage together.

After marriage Gilbert and Tillie followed the footsteps of three generations and farmed in Brady until their oldest son Jerry took over the farm. They also owned



bridge, cribbage or Polish Pinochle.

Over five decades Gilbert and Tillie guided many trips into the Bob Marshall Wilderness. In following years many visitors to the Bob enjoyed campfire stories of Gilbert's colorful adventures in the wilderness.

After they sold the dude ranches they retired to Yuma, Ariz., (where to their delight many friends came to visit), but after seven years they grew restless and bought the Sundance Campground in Coram. After the sale of the Sundance, they moved to Kalispell for a couple of years before they eventually settled in Great Falls, where they resided until poor health necessitated a move to East Helena to be with family.

Visitation is from 6 to 8 p.m. Monday, Sept. 12, at the Pondera Funeral Home in Conrad. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m., Tuesday, Sept. 13, at the Brady Methodist Church, with Gilbert's nephew, Alan Tronson, officiating. A celebration of life reception will follow at the Brady Community Hall. Internment will be at 4 p.m. at the Conrad Cemetery with Gilbert's six grandsons serving as pallbearers.

The family asks that all donations be made to Hospice of St. Peters, 2475 Broadway, Helena, MT 59601, in lieu of flowers.

Shirley Ann Zimmerman, 73

Shirley Ann Zimmerman, 73, died Oct. 31, 2011, at the Whitefish Care and Rehabilitation Center in Whitefish.

At her request, there will be no services.

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