

## Wayne Marvin Gabriel, 64

Wayne Marvin Gabriel, 64, of Wilmot, S.D., died Saturday, March 29, 2014, at his sister's home in Aberdeen, S.D., after a brief battle with cancer.

Wayne's wishes were to be cremated and services will be held at a later date.

Wayne Marvin Gabriel, son of Marvin and Edith (Heitmann) Gabriel, was born on Nov. 29, 1949, in Britton, S.D. He was raised and attended school in Bradley, S.D., graduating from Bradley High School. As a young man he worked various jobs including mowing lawns, picking rocks and hauling bales.

Wayne enlisted in the United States Army in April of 1971. Following his honorable discharge in June of 1973, Wayne began his employment with the Watertown Police Department in Watertown, S.D.

Wayne was united in marriage to Veronica "Vicki" (Bauman) Sasse in Las Vegas. To this union Vicki added two children, Jon and Richard Sasse. They made their home in Watertown and Wayne later began driving truck. They moved to Kalispell where Wayne worked selling industrial equipment until his health forced him to retire. During their retirement, Wayne and Vicki began making their home



in Wilmot. Wayne's beloved wife died on Dec. 22, 2010.

Wayne was a member of the Wilmot American Legion and the Zion Commu-

nity Church. He loved the outdoors, especially hunting, fishing and gardening. He loved to ride his motorcycle and enjoyed snowmobiling. Wayne enjoyed playing cards and board games and cherished the time he was able to spend with his family. He was especially grateful for the many good times he was able to have with his good friend Mike Bjerke.

Grateful for having shared Wayne's life are his stepson Jon, and Lisa Sasse, of Las Vegas; grandchildren, Staci, Megan, Emma, Jordan and Breanna; two sisters, Darla Knox of Britton, S.D., and Verlaine and Glen Dangaard of Aberdeen; sister-in-law, Lois Gabriel; and several nieces and nephews.

Wayne was preceded in death by his parents, wife, stepson Richard Sasse, brother Darrel Gabriel, brother-in-law Ron Knox, and grandson Andrew Sasse.

Cards and memorials may be sent to Wayne's family at 6809 Adobe Court, Las Vegas, NV 89146.

Spitzer-Miller Funeral Home of Aberdeen is in charge of arrangements; [www.spitzerfuneralhome.com](http://www.spitzerfuneralhome.com).

## Warren J. Gadpaille, 90

Warren J. Gadpaille, M.D., 90, died July 9, 2014, at his residence in Bigfork.

He is survived by his wife Susan, and children Charles, Robert, Ingrid and Antoine.

A private family service will be held at a later date.

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

## Edith Gaertner, 93

Edith Gaertner "passed to God's hands" Dec. 3, 2014.

Edith was born May 11, 1921, to Colgate, Okla., to Fanny and Victor Becquart.

Her life was one of bold independence and spirit and she will be missed by her daughter, Susan, married to Al Geissler, as well as by her two sisters, Peg and Ray Starling, and Marion Smith. Also Edith has said her "goodbyes" to grandson Ian Geissler, wife Olga, and their two daughters; granddaughter Arianna Neimanis, husband Peter, and their three sons; grandson Jeff Geissler, wife Priscilla, and their three children; and grandson Dan Geissler and wife Adria. She will be missed as well as by all the nieces and nephews and friends from Libby, Whitefish and those she had made



in Spokane.

Edith's work path in life motivated her many moves. She worked in

a bakery in Tulsa, Okla.; during World War II as "Rosie the Riveter" in California; post-war as a railroad telegrapher for the Great Northern on the Western line between Havre and Spokane; as a homemaker in Stryker and Whitefish; as a self-employed Avon and Shaklee representative in Whitefish; and as a telegrapher again for the Burlington Northern on the same stretch of railroad across the Northwest.

She met and married her husband Richard (deceased July, 2012) as their paths crossed working as telegraphers, and as a married couple they

began life in Stryker, building a love of nature and outdoor sports that carried them both through many years of married life.

Always a positive and encouraging proponent of education, Edith managed to take college courses at Flathead Valley Community College in Kalispell during her adult life, and she helped her daughter Susan finance her education, nudged her grandchildren to college educations and uplifted countless others to improve themselves and to have courage to strike forth in new directions.

She was passionate about many things in life, she loved music and art, huckleberries drove her to endless hours in sun and rain to harvest each year's crop, and she always quoted two passages in most circum-

stances: "Where there's a will, there's a way" and "Always treat your neighbors as you would treat yourself."

The family thanks God for her 93 years amongst us here on Earth, but we have full confidence she's with the Lord.

Thanks go to the staff of Sullivan Care Center in Spokane for their exemplary care during Mom's stay there — they were tireless in providing quality care. Thanks, as well, go to her "faithful visiting sister" Peg who was by her side to the end.

Memorial services will be held Saturday, Dec. 13, at Millwood Community Presbyterian Chapel in Spokane. Please donate to Union Gospel Mission, 1224 E. Trent Ave., Spokane, WA 99202, in lieu of flowers, in Edith's memory. Thank you.

## Richard L. 'Dick' Gage, 73

Richard L. "Dick" Gage, 73, passed away on Sept. 23, 2014, at the Whitefish Care and Rehabilitation Center, surrounded by his family.

He was born May 8, 1941, in Whitefish to Harold "Bud" Gage and Vivian Trent.

A graduate of Whitefish High School, he worked briefly for the U.S. Forest Service before becoming a professional timber faller. He worked most of his life for Ureco Construction out of

Columbia Falls.

He is survived by his wife, Connie; two sons, Stoney Shipp and his wife Leah, and Charlie Shipp; and two daughters, Laurie Timmons and her husband Greg, and Geri Thamm and her husband David; 10 grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren.

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

Arrangements are entrusted to Austin Funeral Home.

## Max Ernest Ganz Jr., 83

Max Ernest Ganz Jr., 83, passed away on Thursday, May 22, 2014, at Lakeview Care Center in Bigfork.

He was born July 6, 1930, in Little Falls, Minn., to Max and Ernestine Ganz. He was the eighth of their 17 children.

On Sept. 4, 1954, Max married Betty McGuire and they had four children. Max also served in the Army during the



head Valley in Montana where he worked for

Korean War. Max worked as a lineman for the electric company prior to leaving Minnesota. In June of 1967, he moved his family to the Flat-

Sears and then Glacier National Park.

He was preceded in death by his parents and 12 of his siblings.

He is survived by his four children, Renea Jorgensen and husband Dale, Scott Ganz and wife Alice, and Gregg Ganz and wife Tammy, all of Bigfork, and Cindy Anderson and husband Steve of Anchorage, Alaska; 11 grandchildren; six great-grandchildren;

three brothers; one sister; and numerous nieces and nephews.

A celebration of life and potluck will be held at 3 p.m. on Sunday, June 1, at the Rocky Mountain Road House in Bigfork.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home is caring for Max's family.

You are invited to go to [www.jgfuneralhome.com](http://www.jgfuneralhome.com) to offer condolences and view Max's tribute wall.

## Vernon 'Red' Thaddeus Gallagher, 90

Vernon "Red" Thaddeus Gallagher passed away peacefully, with family by his side on May 1, 2014, at the Veterans Home in Columbia Falls.

Red was born in Kellogg, Idaho, on Nov. 11, 1923, to William and Maude Gallagher. The family moved to Anaconda when Red was an infant. Following graduation from Anaconda Central High School, he joined the Navy during World War II where he served on the USS Douglas Fox destroyer and survived heavy enemy fire while on duty in the South Pacific.

After the war, Red returned to Anaconda, where he met and fell in love with his soul mate, Esther "Ace" Eckberg. They were married June 7, 1948, and then moved to Kalispell where Red worked as a printer at O'Neil Printers. He remained there until his retirement in 1988.

Red was blessed with an Irish sense of humor, and was a talented man who excelled in woodworking and sports. While he didn't have much luck in



local high school and college sports teams, and spent most Saturdays in the fall cheering for the Montana Grizzlies. Red had a passion for golf (Hitting two holes in one and never missing a putt inside three feet!), bowling, and was an avid fisherman. The only thing he loved more was hauling his trailer on camping/golf trips with good friends.

A dedicated community member, Red was a member of the Kalispell BPOE Elks lodge for 51 years, served as an exalted ruler, and was a long time secretary for the lodge. For 35 years, Red served as the secretary of the Kalispell Men's Bowling Association and was inducted

passing on his carpentry skills to his children, he did impas-

sion them with a love for sports by playing, coaching and teaching them. He loved

into the Montana Bowling Hall of Fame in 1983. He also served on the board of directors for the Buffalo Hill Golf Club, and was a member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians and the Knights of Columbus.

The leading influence in his life was his love for our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Raised a Roman Catholic, he served as an altar boy in his youth and stayed true to his faith at St. Matthew's Church until his death.

Red is survived by his loving wife, Ace, of 65 years; his five children and their families, Tim and Mimi of Corvallis, Ore., Gary and Linda of Redding, Calif., Tom and Irene of Clinton, Miss., Sandra of Martinez, Calif., and Shannon and John More of Corvallis. His grandchildren include Kelly, Kyle, Erika, Lauren, Alexis, Skyler and Stacy Gallagher, and Kevin and Justin More. His first great-grandchild is expected in November.

Red was preceded in death by his parents, William and Maude; a brother, Emmett, and sisters, Ellen Larsen and Virginia

Monahan.

Our family would like to give a special thanks to his sister-in-law, Helen Clark, the family of Rick and Karen Weaver and the family of Jim and Katie O'Day who provided a much appreciated level of love and care to Red, especially during his last days.

A memorial service for Red will be held at 12:10 p.m. on Tuesday, May 27, at St. Matthew's Church, with graveside services at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery. An Irish wake will follow at Buffalo Hill Golf Club. We encourage those attending to wear Red's favorite color — green, of course!

Proud of his Irish ancestry, we leave our Dad with an Irish blessing he knew very well: "May the road rise up to meet you. May the wind be always at your back. May the sun shine warm upon your face. And the rain fall soft upon your fields. And until we meet again, may God hold you in the palm of His hand."

Our tears will fade, but our love and memories of him will never. Thank you for all you have given.

## Wilma Galloway, 84

Wilma Galloway, 84, passed away on Aug. 13, 2014, at the HealthCenter in Kalispell.

She was born on Aug. 11, 1930, to William and Ruth Buck at 4 Woodland Ave. in Kalispell. The house she was born in is still standing! Wilma finished high school at Flathead County High School.

To pass time she really liked playing her crossword puzzles and word find. She liked to garden and was a natural caregiver for her brothers and sisters.

She was married to John Galloway on Jan. 7, 1949, in Kalispell. She was married for 42 years when her beloved husband passed away in 1988. She never remarried.

Wilma was a wife and mother first and foremost. She helped her husband with logging, trapping and raising their seven children. (A real, true Montana woman!)

Wilma was active in her church at Central Bible. She trusted in her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, as her personal savior. She had a great love for animals, especially her two dogs Babes and Ernie.

She was preceded in death by her husband, John Galloway; son, Bill Galloway; parents, Ed and Ruth; grandsons, Joshua Phlug and Davey Galloway; her twin brother, William Buck; sisters, Jean Wilks, Verna McCartney and Shirley Gove; and her granddaughter, Tammy



Galloway.

She is survived by her children, David Galloway and his wife Helen Galloway in

Dillon, John Galloway in Dillon, Nancy Galloway in Kalispell, Melody Galloway in Kalispell, Delphine Freeman and her husband Jim Freeman in Kalispell, and Lynn Galloway in Kalispell; grandchildren, Eric and his wife Melissa Galloway in Libby, Derrick Freeman in Kalispell, Tony Galloway in Oregon, Michael and his wife Cheryl Peters in Helena, Jeff and his wife Andrea Peters in Oregon, Melinda Galloway in Billings, Chris Lee in Montana, Jennifer and her husband Dennis Hindale in Libby, Lacy Galloway in Dillon, Zack Galloway and his wife Crystal in Dillon, Rachel and her husband Adam Walette in Kalispell, and Matthew and his wife Angela Freeman in Kalispell; and 53 great-grandchildren.

A visitation for Wilma will be held from 9 to 11 a.m. on Aug. 18 at Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home. A graveside service will be held following the viewing at 2 p.m., Aug. 18, at Glacier Memorial Gardens in Kalispell.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home is caring for Wilma's family. You are invited to go to [www.jgfuneralhome.com](http://www.jgfuneralhome.com) to view Wilma's tribute wall, offer condolences and share memories.

## Theresa Gano, 93

Theresa Gano, 93, died Thursday, Nov. 27, 2014 at The Pines of Polson.

Memorial services are pending.

Arrangements are under the direction of Grogan Funeral Home and Crematory.

## Juliette Louise Gauthier, 100

Juliette Louise Gauthier, 100, died April 16, 2014, at The Springs at Whitefish.

She was the fourth of five children born to Absalom and Julienne Meilleur in Ronan on Oct. 30, 1913.

In 1915, the family moved to Sandpoint, Idaho but soon after, both her parents died and she was adopted by Madeleine and Joseph De Mers.

Juliette grew up in Sandpoint and after graduating from high school began her 25-year career in personnel management with the United States Forest Service. She married Joseph Gauthier on Jan. 18, 1947, in Sandpoint and relocated the following year to Livingston where they raised four children.

Throughout life Juliette pursued her many passions. She played the piano and organ, and enjoyed cooking, baking, reading, camping and traveling. She was accomplished at china painting and all types of needlework. Juliette was a Helena resident for 52 years prior to moving to The Springs at Whitefish in 2011. She will be remembered for her many talents, her beautiful smile, and her intense love of family and friends.

She was preceded in



death by her infant son, Stephen, in 1956; husband, Joseph, in 1982; and oldest

daughter, Yvonne, in 2007.

She is survived by her daughter, Jeanine Green and Ken; son, Michael Gauthier and Carol; five grandchildren, Brian Green, Juline Green Monasakanian, Scott Gauthier, Daniel Gauthier and Tom Gauthier; three great-grandchildren, Linnea, Elora and Joe, and a fourth to arrive in April.

A prayer service will be at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, May 14 in the Montana Room at The Springs at Whitefish. A funeral Mass and burial will be held this summer in Helena.

The family extends their appreciation for the loving care Juliette received from Dr. Eckstrom and her many caregivers at Hunter's Pointe at Helena, The Springs at Whitefish, Comfort Keepers and Frontier Hospice.

The family suggests memorials to Frontier Hospice in Kalispell.

## Janette M. Gamble, 93

Janette M. Gamble, 93, died in Bigfork on July 17, 2014.

No services are planned

at this time. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

**Cole Thomas Genter  
Ember Lee Genter  
Ashlyn May Genter, newborns**

Cole Thomas Genter, Ember Lee Genter and Ashlyn May Genter died July 24, 2014, shortly after birth at Community Medical Center in Missoula.

They are survived by their parents, Steven and Alisha Genter,

of Kalispell; maternal grandparents, Todd and Theresa Napier, of Marion; and paternal grandparents, Ernest and Marjorie Genter, of Yreka, Calif.

A private service will be held.

**D. Joleen George, 89**

D. Joleen George, 89, passed away Sept. 3, 2014, at her residence in Polson.

She was born Sept. 13, 1924, in Lawrence, Kan. She graduated from Lincoln High in 1942, and attended the University of Nebraska and Omaha University, receiving a master's degree in education.

She married Leslie George in August of 1946 in Lincoln, Neb. She devoted her life to family and educating elementary students at Peter Sarpy and Fort Crook in Bellevue, Central Park and Fontepelle in Omaha, Neb., and ended her career at J.P. Lord for handicapped students.

Joleen married Lincoln High classmate, Keith Chase, in April of 2005.

She was preceded in death by husband, Leslie George; and her son and



daughter-in-law, Bill and Darla George.

She is survived by husband, Keith Chase;

daughter and son-in-law, Jo and Steve Coleman; brother, Tim, and Jeanine Darnauer; four grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. on Monday, Sept. 8, at Grogan Funeral Home. Private burial will follow.

Donations may be sent to Polson Senior Center and Lake County Hospice.

Messages of condolence may be sent to [www.groganfuneralhome.com](http://www.groganfuneralhome.com). Arrangements are under the direction of Grogan Funeral Home and Crematory.

**Thomas Edward George, 67**

Thomas Edward George, 67, of Jefferson City, passed away at St. Peter's Hospital in Helena on Jan. 28, 2014.

He was born on Aug. 24, 1946, to Leo and Theresa (Schmaus) George in Sisseton, S.D. He graduated from Effington High School in 1964.

Tom was a navigation system technician in the United States Air Force where he retired after 23 years of service to our country. While in the service he met the love of his life, Gabriele, and they were married on Oct. 11, 1968, in Bitburg, Germany.

Tom loved fishing, camping, hunting, telling jokes and making people laugh. But most of all, he loved to spend time with his family.

Tom is survived by his wife of 45 years, Gabriele; children, Theresa Sanders, Ron George and Thomas George; siblings, Betty Dykes, Craig and Ellen George, Shirley Murray, Jon and Punkin George, Keith and Ginny George, Richie and Kathy George, Brenda Nerpel, and Lynette and Don Brass, sister-in-law, Delo-



res George; seven grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Leo and Theresa George; brothers, Buddy George and Fran George;

and sisters, Phyllis Blomquist and Barbara George.

A funeral service will be at 1 p.m., Wednesday, Feb. 5, at Retz Funeral Home. A military honor graveside service will follow the service at the Montana State Veterans Cemetery, Fort Harrison. A reception will follow at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 1867 N. Washington Street, Helena.

To offer a condolence or share a memory of Tom, please visit [www.retzfuneralhome.com](http://www.retzfuneralhome.com).

## Ann Sirotiak Geror, 92

Ann Sirotiak Geror of Whitefish left her family and friends Jan. 13, 2014, "to be with her beloved family and Father in heaven."

Ann was a devoted and loving mother to her son David Geror of Whitefish. She loved being a mother, grandmother and great-grandmother.

Her joy was found in the Lord, whom she served until her last days. Ann was a giver, a woman who felt the blessings of giving, sharing in her comfort of knowing Christ; she gave to the church, its members and community around her. Grandma was forever aiding the elder ones around her, who were actually several years her junior.

Being a seamstress in Minneapolis for JCPenney's for 25 years, she turned out dresses, overalls, blankets and pillows. She knitted with the intent to gift whatever she was making.

Ann loved life; she showed her family the meaning of living. Full of wisdom and humor, she never failed to shine light



on those around her. Her hugs fought away the cold, her laugh melted any sorrow,

and her wit always kept you on your toes. Her eyes were beautiful and always twinkled with secrets and stories of years long ago. Her hands were lovely with long fingers adept for sewing and wiping away tears. Her laugh was a key of its own, catching you up in its delight.

After 92 years, Ann leaves a legacy that will live on through those she touched throughout her life. Her last advice to her grandchildren was, "Treat everyone equally no matter their status, age or attitude; love people."

"God bless and goodbye for now, 'Boh zehnaj a zbohóm teraz!'"

Funeral services will be held in the spring at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, (406) 892-4074, 640 7th St. W., Columbia Falls.

## Kimberle Rae Gettig, 58

Kimberle Rae Gettig, 58, died in Kalispell on Aug. 20, 2014.

She is survived by her son, Teddy Gettig of

Kalispell.

Services are pending.

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

## Elva G. (Whitehorn) Gessaman, 88

Elva G. (Whitehorn) Gessaman, 88, passed away Tuesday, July 8, 2014, at her home at Buffalo Hill Terrace in Kalispell.

She was born March 27, 1926, to Chester Arthur Whitehorn and Georgia Fern (Hathaway) Whitehorn, at the family farm north of Great Falls. She grew up on that farm, which her parents had homesteaded in 1916.

After attending local rural schools, Elva graduated from Fort Benton High School. She then worked in Great Falls, primarily at the J.C.Penney's store.

Elva married Donald K. Gessaman on Feb. 3, 1951, at the Whitehorn family farm, after which they took up residence on the Gessaman farm north of Fort Benton. There they raised grain, cattle and four children.

In 1980, they "retired" from the farm at Fort Benton, leaving it in the hands of the next generation. They moved to Polson, bought an apple and cherry orchard there, and worked harder than ever. Spraying, watering, pruning and marketing their fruit occupied their time. They also made some of the best fresh apple juice you've ever tasted.

During their years in Polson, Elva was very involved with the Polson United Methodist Church and the Polson Senior Center. She also volunteered at the Polson Country Store. Her home-baked whole wheat bread was legendary, and in great demand at the local bake sales.

All her life, Elva was a beautiful woman, both



inside and out. She was a loving sister, wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother

and friend. Her gentle spirit and happy smile will be missed by all who knew her.

Elva was preceded in death by her husband, Donald K. Gessaman; her brothers, Chester Arthur Whitehorn Jr., Wallace Whitehorn and Stanley Whitehorn; and her sisters, Bernice Skaw, Virginia Wiederhold and Clara Walker.

She is survived by her brother, Wayne Whitehorn, at the family farm; sister, Iris Halvorson, of Great Falls; sons, Bill and wife Debbie Gessaman of Lake Stevens, Wash., and Mike and wife Deb Gessaman of Fort Benton; daughters, Jeanne and husband Ted Turner of Kalispell, and Janet and husband Dave Haugen of Fort Benton; 13 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Monday, July 14, at the Polson United Methodist Church, Polson. Inurnment will follow at the Lakeview Cemetery.

Memorials may be directed to the Polson United Methodist Church or the charity of your choice.

Arrangements are under the direction of Grogan Funeral Home and Crematory. Memorials and condolences may be sent to the family at [www.groganfuneralhome.com](http://www.groganfuneralhome.com).

## Van Henry Gilchrist, 86

Van Henry Gilchrist, 86, passed away peacefully at his home on March 14, 2014.

Van was born in Columbia Falls on July 11, 1927, to Ernest and Lois Gilchrist. Van, along with his two brothers William Gilchrist and Douglas Gilchrist, were raised mostly in Whitefish.

Van moved to Ketchikan, Alaska at 16 and graduated from school there. When he returned to Whitefish two years later he met a pretty red-headed gal at a dance and informed her that they were getting married. She laughed, but they were married two years later on June 19, 1948.

Van worked as a meat manager both in Montana, and in 1956 through 1967, in California markets.

He moved to Kalispell in 1967, and bought Eastside Superette which he, his wife and son ran for several years. Eventually he became a broker in real estate in the late 1970s. This he did until his retirement.

Van was preceded in death by his wife of 53 years, Betty Gilchrist; father, Ernest Gilchrist; stepmother, Violet Gilchrist; mother, Lois Cyr; and brother, William Gilchrist.

Van is survived by his two children, daughter Sandi Kolden and husband Richard, and son Scott Gilchrist and wife Paula, all of Flathead Valley. Van has five grandchildren, nine great-



grandchildren; brother, Douglas Gilchrist of Palm Desert, Calif; stepbrother, Daryl Goulet; and

lots of nieces, nephews and cousins.

Van loved his family with all his heart and spending time with them was the most important time spent in his life. He said often his best friends were his family. Van loved the outdoors, fishing, camping, sitting around a campfire telling stories he'd heard from his father, and of course his own which he never tired of telling, as his family and friends know well. Van was a kind-hearted man, always ready to give a helping hand to those who needed it. He often spoke at meetings dealing with alcoholism and drug addiction. He spent many hours talking with individual people that just needed some guidance and to know someone cared.

A message from your daughter and son-in-law, which they wrote in all his cards, "Forgive us for loving you so."

"We will miss you dad, until we meet again."

A celebration of Van's life will be held later this summer.

Friends are encouraged to visit [www.buffalohillfh.com](http://www.buffalohillfh.com) to leave notes of condolence for the family. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for the family.

## Alvin Lee Gillig, 85

Alvin Lee Gillig, 85, died Feb. 17, 2014, at the Montana Veterans Home in Columbia Falls.

He is survived by his

children, Lyle and Delight Gillig. No services are planned at this time.

Columbia Mortuary is caring for the family.

## Cora M. Zorn Giese, 85

Cora M. Zorn Giese, 85, passed away on Jan. 15, 2014, at the Immanuel Lutheran Skilled Care Center in Kalispell after a battle with Alzheimer's disease.

She was born in Bottineau, N.D. on Aug. 2, 1928, to Walter and Lillian Getzloff.

Cora married Irvin Zorn in 1947, and had five children, Monda Rae Zorn of Kalispell, Doyle Zorn of Des Moines, Iowa, Laurel Zorn of Casa Grande, Ariz., Bernell Zorn of Tulsa, Okla., and Darwin Zorn of Kalispell.

Cora went on quite the journey with her five children in 1955, from Willow City, N.D. to crossing through the Hi-Line of Montana. After living in small towns in the flatlands of Montana she ended settling in the beautiful Flathead Valley.

Cora married Roland Giese in 1961, and Roland helped raise her five children. I can't ever remember a day that our Mother wasn't working or trying in some way to better herself. She worked at Montgomery Ward on Main Street until KM Department store recruited and trained her to be one of their office managers. Her story was, "They trusted me with their money." Cora stayed there for many years and one day her diligent work ethic paid off; she landed a wonderful job with the State of Montana working in the appraisal office. Cora at 62 retired and regretted that till she was eighty three. Reminding

all of us perhaps way too many times that she was much too young to stop working and that we all needed a purpose and a place to go each day, I now believe her. There is a lot of pride we have towards our Mother, the teaching of working hard, good values and the will to never give up.

Cora was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church, Lutherans of Life fund-



raisers, Ladies A and the queen of the power stapler in the bulletins. She

loved her church and helped in all aspects of

Cora was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Roland; three brothers; two sisters; and a beautiful grand named Kellen of Havre

She is survived by a five children; Bernell's wife, Monica; Laurel's wife, Patti; three sisters and four brothers; seven grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

Cora will be "riding her last ride on the peace train" back to her beloved state of North Dakota to be buried with her parents and siblings. "Her wishes have been granted!" She will be missed by all who knew her and took care of her these past few years. I want to thank everyone for being so kind and caring to our mother. She truly was an object of beauty and strength throughout her past few years.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 21 at Trinity Lutheran Church, 400 W. California St., with a reception to follow at Trinity Church. Visitation will be from noon until 5 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 20, in the Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home. Burial will be in the Lutheran Cemetery in Gardena, N.D. at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, contributions can be given to Meals on Wheels at the Agency on Aging, 160 Kelly Road, Kalispell 59901.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for Cora's family. You are invited to go to [www.neralhome.com](http://www.neralhome.com) to view Cora's Tribute wall, condolences and share memories.

## Timothy L. Gilmer Sr., 50



Timothy L. Gilmer Sr., 50, of Delphos, Ohio, formerly of Kalispell, died at 9:23 a.m., Saturday, April 5, 2014, in the emergency room of St. Rita's Medical Center, Lima, Ohio, after a sudden illness.

He was born July 12, 1963, in San Bernardino, Calif., to Marquita Kathleen Gilmer and Raymond Dale Bray. Raymond preceded him in death and his mother survives in Kingman, Ariz. His stepfather, Thomas Romano, survives in Riverside, Calif.

He married Joyce A. Wreede on July 14, 1998, and she survives in Delphos. Also surviving are his children, Melissa and Adam Fuqua of Delphos, Ashley Gertrude Maag of Lima, Ohio, Timothy Lee Gilmer Jr. and Scott Anthony Gilmer, both of Delphos, and Samantha Ann Gilmer of Washington. He is also survived by his grandchildren, Sara Roby and Travis Kilgore Jr., both of Lima, Chase Fuqua of Ada, Ohio, Jaylen Fuqua of Kenton, Ohio, and Faith Gould, Orianna Gould and Asianna Maag, all of

Lima. He is survived by his siblings, Anthony and Nicole Romano of Kingman, Reina

and Dwayne Simmons, and Shelly Mike Debus, both of Willow Valley, Ariz. He is also survived by Joyce's parents, Tom and Nancy Wreede, and her sisters and their husbands, Thelma and Ron Street, and Tina and Ron Kodiak, all of St. Mary's, Ohio.

Mr. Gilmer had been a sous chef and a boxer, obtaining a 34-0 record in the ring. He was the chief of the Wrightwood Tribe, California, and a member of the culinary department at University of Nevada-Las Vegas. He was a loving husband, father, grandfather and son.

Services will begin at 2 p.m., Thursday, April 10, at Siferd-Orlans Funeral Home, Lima, with Pastor Harry Tolhurst officiating. Condolences may be expressed at [www.siferd-orldansfuneralhome.com](http://www.siferd-orldansfuneralhome.com)

## Charlotte Anne Spaugh Gilley, 71

Charlotte Anne Spaugh Gilley was born Sept. 8, 1942, in Coquille, Ore., to Lyle K. and Bonita (Fee) Spaugh.

Charlotte spent her early childhood in southwest Oregon. In 1957, her family moved to Kalispell where she graduated from Flathead County High School in 1960. Charlotte was employed at the Daily Inter Lake as a proof-reader/reporter before accepting a job in Coos Bay, Ore., at the World Newspaper.

Charlotte married Robert L. Gilley on Oct. 26, 1963, while in Coos Bay. In 2001, they were divorced. Together they had six children, Robert of Salt Lake City, Ray and Ann of Minot, N.D., Rick and Bobbie of Kalispell, Patrick of Missoula, Kathleen and Nate Schelin of Bothell, Wash., and Thomas and Jamie of Nampa, Idaho. Charlotte's pride and joy were her 17

grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Charlotte's passion was caring for others, as she did in childcare for 17 years in her home before joining Smith Memorial Day Care Center for 19 years. Charlotte also volunteered at the Abbie House, Jail Ministry, 40 Days for Life, Cub Scouts and Boy Scout Leader, St. Matthew's religious education for 30 years, and Daughters of Isabella, local and state offices.

Special thanks to Bobbie and Teresa.

Charlotte left us peacefully on July 3, 2014. She will be truly missed.

"We love you, Mom."

A rosary will be said at 6 p.m. on July 16 at St. Matthew's Church in Kalispell. A memorial Mass will be held at 12:10 p.m. on July 17 at St. Matthew's Church.

Any donations can be made directly to St. Matthew's Church.

## Alvin Lee 'Al' Gillig, 85

Alvin Lee "Al" Gillig, 85, passed away peacefully Monday, Feb. 17, 2014, at the Montana Veterans Home in Columbia Falls, surrounded by family and friends.

He was born Aug. 30, 1928, in Denhoff, N.D., to William and Otilda Gillig.

When Al was just a young man he helped his father William with the farming duties. He was a very busy young man. He served in the U.S. Army from January 1951 to January 1953. Alvin's duty assignment was as a medic. He was enrolled in Medical School from September 1951 to November 1951. He was honorably discharged from active duty on Jan. 13, 1953. After being released from active duty, Al transferred to ERC to complete his reserve status obligation for five years.

Al met and married his high school sweetheart, Marcella, and they had three children, Lyle, Elwood and DeLight. Al and Marcella loved camping with their family and friends, especially the extended camping trips to Thompson Lake. Some



of his favorite times were when he was going to horse

shows and rodeos. Al would help his son Lyle prepare to ride bulls by pulling the rope for him.

Alvin is survived by his sons, Lyle and Elwood; daughter, DeLight; sister, Judy; granddaughters, Tonia, Amy, Erin and Elisha; grandsons, Robert, Ryan, Josh and Eric; as well as numerous great-grandchildren, cousins, nieces, nephews and extended family.

The family wishes to give thanks to all those who gave continued love and support throughout his life and during his illness. Special thanks to the Montana Veterans Home and Home Options Hospice for the wonderful care given to Grandpa.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Montana Veterans Home.

Services will be held privately in North Dakota at a later date.

"Grandpa, you will be missed!"



## Ronald Ralph Gipe, 68

Ronald Ralph Gipe, 68, of Lakeside died on July 3, 2014, at the age of 68. Ron battled cancer for six years, but he lived each day simply doing the things he loved.

A celebration of life will be held at 4 p.m. on July 19 at the Gembala residence at 678 Manning Road in Kalispell. To honor his love of flying, helicopters and fixed



wings are welcome.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home is caring for Ron's family. You are

invited to go to [www.jgfuneralhome.com](http://www.jgfuneralhome.com) to view Ron's tribute wall, offer condolences and share memories.

## Ruth Giroux, 86

Ruth Giroux, 86, died in Whitefish on Sept. 8, 2014.

She is survived by her children, Jim Giroux, Lynn Younge, Luanne

Giroux-Vorobey and Lucinda Starkey.

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

## Mark Thomas Gilroy, 69

Mark Thomas Gilroy passed away unexpectedly on Sept. 13, 2014, while at home in Polson.

Family was very important to Mark and he is survived by his wife of 43 years, Kathy Gilroy; two daughters, Shawna Gilroy of Polson and Sarah Gilroy of Denver; a sister, Samara Gilroy-Hicks, of Vancouver, Wash.; two grandchildren, Carson and Amanda Stewart; and a foster son, Mike (Miction) Ogden, of Williston, N.D. He is also survived by his uncle, Greg, and Shirley Wallander, their two children, Susan Hove and Jeff Wallander; and Kathy's father, siblings, and their families.

Mark was born in Williston on Oct. 9, 1944, to Frank and Wilma Gilroy. He attended Franklin Grade School and graduated from Missoula County High School in 1962. He majored in business at the University of Montana, and was a member of the Sigma Chi fraternity.

If records were kept, he participated in the most intramural football games of any Sigma Chi during the 1960s. Wherever there was a ball bouncing or a sports team playing on campus, Mark was among the participants. Prior to college, he was a standout American Legion shortstop, and after college he played slow pitch softball, playing on the Montana State Championship team and in a National Championship tournament. He was active in sports until parenthood took precedence over the marathon weekend tournaments. Mark was a huge Grizzly football fan, enjoying season tickets to football games for 20 years.

The Gilroys moved

to Polson in 1977 when Mark and Kathy became the proprietors of the Tastee Freeze (1977) and Kentucky Fried Chicken (1979) restaurants. He was a long-standing and active member of the Elks Lodge No. 1695. Mark was also an avid golfer and was a loyal member of the Mission Mountain Golf Club in Ronan.

Mark enjoyed many friendships over the years. To this day, among his friends are those from grade school, high school, college, work and the community. Mark often commented how blessed he was to have so many and such great friends. He was often hilariously funny and a great practical joker. His generosity was legendary; there was nothing he would not do to give a hand to a friend or relative in need. Mark oversaw the care of his elderly mother for 10 years before she passed away in 2012.

His most cherished relationships were with his grandson, Carson, an eighth-grader in Polson, and his wife Kathy. Carson and his grandpa spent time together almost every day before or after school, talking sports and "doing stuff."

Kathy and Mark met while working for Mountain Tractor in Missoula in 1968, and demonstrated a rare and captivating love for one another through all of their 43 years of marriage.

A public memorial service is scheduled for 3 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 19, at the Elks Lodge in Polson.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the North Lake County Public Library.

## Curt Emory Goble, 60



Curt Emory Goble, 60, died Sept. 8, 2014.

He was born Feb. 7, 1954, in Columbia Falls and graduated from Whitefish High School in 1973. He was a loyal Bulldog fan to the end. Curt spent some time in Hawaii after graduating and returned to Whitefish which he always considered his home.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Rose Goble.

He is survived by his wife, Marlene; daughter, Selena; father, Carl; and brothers and sisters, Vonnie, Craig, Jim, Beth, Helen and Keith.

Curt worked at the Whitefish Lake Golf Club for a short time and several years at the Bierstube before he started his career with the BNSF. He worked for the railroad for 30 years and left to pursue his lifelong passion — fishing.

He met Marlene in 1976. She was working at the Original Place for Steak. He would stop by after work for a beer and some awesome bankshot.

His daughter, Selena, was born in 1992. She added a beautiful new dimension to his life that he embraced and cherished.

Curt was known as someone who was always willing to help. Whether it was working on a car, construction, or just about anything else, he was never more than a phone call away.

Curt loved to fish. He would seize any opportunity — anywhere, anytime. He frequented Duck and Mission Lake on the east side, and would frequently hit Bootjack, Upper Whitefish and too many other lakes to name. He always kept his fishing gear close by and truly loved the time spent with friends by and on the water. He was with one of his many friends fishing at Duck Lake when he died. He was doing what he loved to do and will be missed by all those lucky enough to have known him.

Services to be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 13, at the Whitefish Nazarene Church, followed by a celebration of life at the Whitefish VFW Post 276.

In lieu of flowers, donations are requested to VFW Post 276 or Trout Unlimited.

## Robert Leland Glencross, 65

Robert Leland Glencross, 65, passed away suddenly on Jan. 20, 2014, of an apparent heart attack.

Robert was born June 17, 1948, in Wallace, Idaho, to Jack and Arnita Glencross. He lived in the Burke Canyon and attended school there until the sixth grade. They then moved to Wallace, Idaho, where he would graduate from high school in 1966.

After high school, Bob attended college for a short period. He also worked various jobs including mining and bartending. He ultimately decided to enlist in the United States Air Force, where he would end up being honorably discharged due to having flat feet.

In March 1973 he married Judith Ann Schultz. On July 17, 1974, they welcomed a wonderful baby boy, Errin Patrick Glencross. Shortly after his birth the couple moved to Milwaukee, Wis., where he attended Milwaukee Area Technical College and earned his degree in



mortuary science. They lived there for five years where he became an avid fan of the Green Bay Packers and the Milwaukee Brewers.

In 1979

after college graduation, Bob moved to American Falls, Idaho. While there, he owned a hardware store and worked for Davis Mortuary. In 1983, while working part time for Cenex, he would meet his future wife, Dorothy Irene Phillips. They were married on July 7, 1984. They would live there until the funeral business took them to Bullhead City, Ariz., in 1986. Here they would have two children, Christopher Everett Glencross, born March 19, 1989, and Whitney Renae Glencross, born July 14, 1992.

In June 1993, Bob accepted a job at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home

in Kalispell to be closer to home. He would work at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home until the time of his passing. During those 20 years he loved taking all of his family and friends on fishing excursions, huckleberry picking, wildlife searching and hunting. Everyone was always welcome, as Bob never knew a stranger. He enjoyed taking anyone for a ride into the mountains to experience our beautiful state. He also loved coaching his kids through Little League baseball, and Little Guy football. He was "Coach Bob" to many.

During his time in Kalispell, Bob grew to know many people in the community that he would call friends.

Bob was preceded in death by his parents; grandparents; former wife, Judith Glencross; and his favorite uncle, Everett, and Everett's daughter, Velva Jo McCorkle.

He is survived by his wife of 30 years, Dorothy Glencross, his sons, Errin

Glencross and Trina Coman, and Christopher Glencross, and daughter, Whitney, and husband, Gabriel Spencer, all of Kalispell; his oldest son, Chris, and wife, Michelle Hansen, of California; his sisters, Mary Perkins and her husband Randy of Kellogg, Idaho, and Debi Lawrence and her husband Gary of Walla Walla, Wash.; seven grandsons and one granddaughter; numerous aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins and a very special family friend, Tyrone Sauer.

Memorial services will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Jan. 25, at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home with Pastor Tim Bartholomew officiating. A potluck reception will be held immediately following the service at the Kalispell Eagles.

The family requests memorials be given to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital in Bob's name.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home caring for the family. To send condolences to the family, please go to [www.buffalohillfh.com](http://www.buffalohillfh.com)

## Dennis W. Gollsneider, 72

Dennis W. Gollsneider, 72, of Great Falls, passed away peacefully, surrounded by his family and friends, at Peace Hospice House in Great Falls on Saturday, Sept. 6, 2014.

A celebration of his life will be held at the American Legion Hall in Washington, Conn., on Saturday, Sept. 27, starting at 2 p.m. Cremation has taken place under the direction of Schnider Funeral Home in Great Falls.

Dennis was born on July 4, 1942, to William and Ethel (Swanson) Gollsneider in Torrington, Conn.

His "dry" sense of humor and immense knowledge of music, trivia and his great woodworking skills will



be missed beyond words.

Dennis is survived by his wife, Sandra (Anderson) Gollsneider;

sons, James Gollsneider, and Gregory and Joanne Gollsneider; daughter, Karen, and Greg Beeler; grandsons, Gregory, Bryar, Nate, Josh and Sam; sisters, Joyce Bachor of Florida, and June Barnhart of Montana; and brother, Glen, of Maine.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Peace Hospice, 1101 26th St. S., Great Falls, MT 59405; or American Legion Post 87, Washington Depot, CT 06794.

## Monty (Gunderson) Gorton, 90

Monty Gertrude Gorton, a resident of Gresham, Ore., died on Jan. 9, 2014, in Gresham. She was 90 years of age.

Monty was born on June 10, 1923, in Kalispell and was the daughter of Glen and Nellie (McHenry) Gunderson. She graduated from Flathead County High School in 1940 and worked in the munitions plant in Salt Lake City and in Tacoma during World War II.

Prior to the end of the war, she moved to Camas, Wash., where she worked as a bank clerk.

On Jan. 13, 1946, she married Sidney "Si" Gorton in Camas and, shortly after, they moved to Oregon. They moved to East County in 1967, where Monty worked for the Multnomah Education Service District as an office assistant for the Testing Department. She retired in 1984 and enjoyed traveling in the RV with her husband, Si.

Monty was a devoted wife, mom and grandma. She loved doting on her two granddaughters, playing Bunco and pinochle and painting ceramics. She will be dearly missed



by all who knew and loved her.

She is survived by her daughters, Charmalee and husband

band Craig, Drew of Whitefish, and Karen and husband Robin Lapeyre of Gresham; two granddaughters, Jocelynn and husband Guillermo Parra and Brianna Brown, all of Las Vegas; as well as her sister, Charlotte Crum, of Washougal, Wash.; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband Si; her parents Glen and Nellie; and her sister, Donna.

A celebration of Monty's life will be at 1 p.m. today, Jan. 16, at Bateman Carroll Funeral Home in Gresham. A private inurnment will take place at Forest Lawn Cemetery.

Contributions may be made in memory of Monty to the Oregon Military Museum at Camp Withcombe, 15300 SE Industrial Way, Clackamas, OR 97105.

Bateman Carroll Funeral Home is handling the arrangements.

## Marcus Donald Gomer, 63

Marcus Donald Gomer, 63, "returned to his heavenly home" on Nov. 15, 2014, after a beautiful and joyous life ... and finally, his brave and valiant battle with cancer. His devotion to his family and friends, and his firm belief in God supported him in his battle, and ultimately gave him peace.

Marcus was born to Donald and Joyce Gomer, Sept. 4, 1951. Marcus attended Fort Vancouver High School in Vancouver, Wash. There, as a freshman, Marcus earned his Eagle Scout in Troop 326. He graduated from Fort Vancouver in June of 1969, and then attended Life Bible College in Los Angeles, graduating in 1973.

When Marcus moved to Montana, he fell in love with its beauty. He was an avid outdoorsman, enjoying hiking, fishing and most of all ... being outside. He loved to garden and was working on becoming a "gentleman farmer." Marcus shared this passion with Cindy, at Twisted Gate Farm, where they raising chickens, ducks, geese and turkeys. Truly enjoying the fruits of his labor, he loved to gather dinner out in the garden and finish up with fresh strawberries he had spent years rescuing.



When Marcus wasn't fishing, he enjoyed many long summer evenings watching "Farm TV"

in the back yard, by the chicken coop.

Marcus was blessed with a loving family and is survived by his mother Joyce Gomer, brother Curtis Gomer, and wife Donna of Pennsylvania; his beautiful daughter, Brittani, her husband, Chaumas Crawford, of Spokane, and his grandchildren Chayce, Cataya and Sabyn; as well as the very special people who became his second family, Cindy Olsen, Forrest Goodloe and Rebecca Ann, of Kalispell.

Marcus was a kind and gentle soul. He had a positive attitude, never complained, and was a constant inspiration to those of us that knew and loved him. He reminded us how precious life is, and drew strength by sharing his thoughts and words with us daily. He will be truly missed.

Please join us in celebrating Marcus at 11 a.m. on Thursday, Nov. 20, in the lower auditorium of Canvas Church.

Arrangements are entrusted to Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home.

## Celia 'Cee' Margaret Goodman, 53

Celia "Cee" Margaret Goodman, 53, passed away peacefully with her family by her side on Dec. 11, 2014, at 11:45 a.m., in Kalispell.

Celia was born Dec. 28, 1960, in Los Angeles. She spent her childhood traveling and living both domestically and abroad, before her family settled in Idyllwild, California.

In 1999, Cee and her husband moved to Lakeside, where they fell in love with the community and decided to settle permanently. Cee was loved and cherished by all who knew her for her joyful spirit and ability to make everyone she met feel loved and welcomed in her life. Cee was well known in her local com-



munity and by friends and family near and far for the incredible artwork she creat-

ed through the years. Her work can be seen on the walls of local businesses as well as in the homes of many lucky friends and family members.

Cee was incredibly blessed to have met and spent 26 exciting years with her soul mate, best friend and husband, Jack Goodman. Of all her accomplishments, of which there are many, she was most proud of being a devoted wife, mother, stepmother and

grandmother. She loved her family, whether by blood or by choice, with great passion and for this she will be most missed.

Celia is survived by a very large family, including her cherished husband and best friend, Jack; mother-in-law, Jeri; eldest daughter, Krista and her husband, Charles, and their two daughters, Chloe and Luca; youngest daughter, Carley and her husband, Nick, and their daughter, Sofia; stepson, Russell and his son, Jaxden; granddaughter, Kylie; brother, Malcom; and sister, Kristie. She also leaves behind a large extended family including in-laws, nieces, nephews, cousins, god children and

two adored pugs.

She was preceded in death by her father, Wallace; mother, Evelyn; father-in-law, Joe; stepdaughter, Jessie; brother-in-law, Kurt; sister-in-law, Janice; niece, Michelle; and nephew, Jeremy. Finally, she leaves behind a community of friends more like family, too large to name, by which she will be immeasurably missed.

A celebration of Celia's life is taking place at 6 p.m. today, Dec. 14 at Lakeside Community Chapel.

To send a note of condolence to the family, please visit [www.buffalohillfh.com](http://www.buffalohillfh.com). Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

## Rose Elizabeth Shaughnessy Gran, 74

Rose Elizabeth Shaughnessy Gran, 74, passed away on Oct. 14, 2014, in Kalispell, of natural causes.

Rose was born Oct. 31, 1939, in Missoula to Thomas E. and Mary O. (Wright) Shaughnessy. She was raised on the family homestead in DeSmet, west of Missoula. She attended DeSmet Grade School, Missoula County High School and the University of Montana in Missoula.

During her teaching career, she continued her education in foreign languages, not only in Montana, but also Mexico and Canada. She taught French, Spanish, English and Latin in Billings, Hardin, Lodge Grass and Havre high schools for many years and worked in the Havre Public Library following retirement, a job she dearly loved.

She married her life's companion, Theodore M.

"Ted" Gran, in Billings on Oct. 30, 1970.

Rose was an avid reader and a talented photographer. She was also a talented poet and self-published a book of her poems titled, "Wren's Tales." She loved family get-togethers and a succession of family pets down through the years. She realized a life-long dream when she converted to Judaism in May of 2002.

Rose was preceded in death by her parents and one nephew.

She is survived by her husband, Theodore "Ted"; brother, Tom, and Mary Shaughnessy; sisters, Natalie and Edward Hoff, and Terry and Ron Erickson; five nephews and three nieces, including her very special niece, Eleanor Chorn, and extended family.

Interment will be in Ronan at a later date.

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

## Charles Edward 'Chuck' Grant, 86

Charles Edward "Chuck" Grant, 86, "found his way 'home' by the light of the full moon" on May 14, 2014.

Born on Jan. 21, 1928, on the family farm in Cole County, Ill., he went to school in Mattoon and graduated from Sullivan High School. He started working for Caterpillar Tractor Company in 1947.

Drafted into the U.S. Army in 1950, he served two years in the Korean conflict. After a blind date and a nine-month whirlwind courtship with Virginia Tasick, they were married April 10, 1951. They were blessed with six children in nine years. Every summer during his three-week vacation time, the family would pack up the car and head west where a stop at the Badlands was always required. On several trips there were other family members and friends who would join, creating a caravan for which his kids named him "The Wagonmaster."

A lifelong commitment to youth started as a coach, official and athletic director at St. Patrick's School in Washington, Ill., in his spare time. They made their home in Washington for 32 years until he was able to retire from Cat in 1982, at the ripe old age of 54. A couple of years later, he and Ginny followed their daughters to Montana where he continued his service to youth as a sports official. He was a member of the Sunrisers Lions Club and district delegate to the Montana Officials Association. All together, he spent 38 years of his life coaching and teaching young athletes through his officiating.

Chuck could be found in the bleachers or on the sidelines of every game that any of his grandchildren were involved in



and would travel to all parts of the state to be sure he didn't miss a thing, turning into "Everybody's Grampa" on the team.

He was always there to support and cheer and occasionally yell at the officials!

He was preceded in death by his parents, Charles and Fern Grant, and stepfather Earl Christ; his sister, Marj Goddard; stepbrother, Jim Christ; stepsister, Jean Eastin; and grandson, Matt Grant.

He is survived by his wife, Virginia, at the family home, and daughters, Terri and Bob Muraoka, and Lin and Joe Gwiazdon, all of Whitefish; and sons, Ed and Mikki Grant, Bob and Marty Grant, Tom and Kelley Grant and Jim Grant, all of Illinois; 10 grandchildren, Nick Grant, R.C., Cooper and Todd Muraoka, Maude and Tim Gwiazdon, Sam, Mitch, Sydney and Pete Grant; and two great-grandchildren, Rhyen and Raiden Muraoka.

"I'm in the car, Virginia!"

A visitation will be held from 3 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 28, at Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home. A rosary will follow at 7 p.m. Mass will be at 12:10 p.m. Thursday, May 29, at St. Matthew's Catholic Church in Kalispell.

Memorials may be made to St. Matthew's School.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home is caring for Chuck's family. You are invited to go to [www.jgfuneralhome.com](http://www.jgfuneralhome.com) to offer condolences and view Chuck's tribute wall.

## Dorothy 'Dottie' Grant, 72

Dorothy "Dottie" Grant, 72, passed away suddenly at her home in California on June 13, 2014.

Dottie, as her friends knew her, was born Sept. 8, 1941, to Albert and Elaine Schultz in Hayward, Calif., and is survived by her mother Elaine, family and friends.

While still a little girl, Dottie's parents moved the family from Northern to Southern California because her dad was transferred to the new General Motors plant in Van Nuys, Calif. She attended Van Nuys High and married her high school sweetheart after graduation.

In her 20s, Dottie was a hired as a hair model for Jheri Redding of Redken, and was known to don some of the most fashionable hairstyles and hair colors of the '60s!

After her time as a hair model, Dottie worked as an administrative assistant for the District Attorney's Office of the County of Los Angeles, until she took an early retirement at the age of 40. It was about this time that she and her husband moved to Montana, the place that she would from then on call home.

Dottie loved the new family of friends she found in Kalispell. She



enjoyed going to the casino, having a meal at Julie's, and shopping at the mall. One of

her great joys was serving as a volunteer at the Museum at Central School in Kalispell. She fondly spoke about the museum staff, volunteers and patrons to her family in California.

In 2010, Dottie underwent emergency surgery for Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD) and after four weeks of amazing treatment from the doctors and staff at Kalispell Regional Medical, she was released to assisted home care. Needing a lower elevation for her lungs, in 2011 Dottie returned to California, living out these last few years close to family in Palm Desert.

There will be no formal service, but if you would like a place to gather and remember this beloved woman, family will be in the Meeting Room at the Museum at Central School on Saturday, Aug. 23, from 1 to 2:30 p.m.

Instead of flowers, the family is suggesting donations to the museum in Dottie's name.

## Dan Granrud, 64

Dan was born on June 27, 1950, in Sidney to Edgar and Helen Granrud. He passed away on July 4, 2014, in Kalispell.

He was preceded in death by Edgar and Helen.

He is survived by his daughter Melina, her husband Michael, and his granddaughter Genevieve; his twin brother Dennis, and younger brother Niles. He has four nephews, Eric, Jason, Aron and Cody; and two nieces, Amanda and Michelle.

As a child he attended Pine Grove School. After graduating from Flathead High school in 1969, he attended Western Tech in Denver where he received a degree in auto mechanics. He worked for many auto shops over the years and owned two.



He co-founded New Life Singers from the Seventh Day Adventist church with

his brother Dennis. He attended Walla Walla and St. Paul Bible Colleges where he received a degree in theology. He enjoyed singing in church, playing various musical instruments, flying ultra lights, riding motorcycles, water skiing and riding snowmobiles, just to name a few.

A memorial service is scheduled for 10 a.m. on Saturday, July 26, at the First Church of the Nazarene, at 1295 Whitefish Stage Road.

## Angelo Greco, 86

Angelo Greco, 86, formerly of Kalispell, died Dec. 1, 2014, in Great Falls.

A memorial service will be at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 13, at the

Shelby Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses.

Arrangements are entrusted to Whitted Funeral Chapel, Cut Bank.

## Joseph 'Joe' Gregor, 95

Joseph "Joe" Gregor, 95, passed away at Brendan House on Feb. 28, 2014.

Joe was born Sept. 5, 1918, in a log cabin in Eureka. He attended grade school and high school in Eureka, graduating in 1937. He spent the next several years working for the Forest Service and Eureka Creamery. He also did some work on airplanes and learned to fly.

In 1942, he enlisted in the U.S. Army Air Force into the 336th Flying Training Squadron where pilots received advanced training in the B-25 bombers and other duties. In the Air Force most of the duties were with airplanes to support the war effort. He was discharged in 1946. Joe then attended some aircraft and engine schools, and received his FAA Engine and Aircraft Certificate. He also attended the Cal-Aero Technical Institute in Glendale, Calif. While in school, some people from the Air Force came by. They said he had the experience for what they needed and promised him a job when he got out of school. The Air Force sent him to the Minuteman One Missile School where he earned the title of industrial engineer working on technical missiles. He also was sent to school on methods time measurement, labor standards EO46 and Department of Defense methods and standards. This helped his LSO duties as a team planner. Joe received a certificate of appreciation from the Air Force, "Mr. Gregor



maintains a high degree of perfection in accomplishing

his duties." Joe had a little over 30 years, so he decided to retire in 1980 from Hill Air Force Base in Odgen, Utah. He enjoyed his retirement, fishing, riding his motorcycle and flying his planes.

He lost his wife Louella in 1985, and married Dorothy Johnson in 1989.

Joe was preceded in death by his father, Lawrence A. Gregor; mother, Teresa S. Gregor; twin brother, Lawrence J. Gregor; sister, Agnes E. Erickson; and last sister, Mary Frank.

Joe is survived by a daughter, Sharon F. Gregor, and son, Gary F. Gregor of New Mexico; and stepchildren, Marsha Bush of Ohio, Robert J. Johnson of Cadillac, Mich., Esther E. Pantadosi of Durham, N.C., Mary A. Cunningham of Florida, Barbara S. Sheridan of Helena, and Theresa L. Flack of St. Charles, Mo.

Funeral services for Joe will be held at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, March 5 at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home. The casket will be open one hour prior to the service. Burial will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, March 5 at Tobacco Valley Cemetery in Eureka.

Friends are encouraged to visit [www.buffalohillfun.com](http://www.buffalohillfun.com) to leave notes of condolence for the family. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for the family.

## Eric Steven Gray, 58

Eric Steven Gray, 58, passed away on Oct. 9, 2014, in Boise, Idaho, after a brief illness. He was surrounded by his loved ones.

Eric was born to Jean (Wood) and Walter Gray in Waukegan, Ill., on Aug. 15, 1956. He was raised with his brother Bill in several places due to his father's Naval career, finally settling in Florida.

Eric was a proud Navy veteran himself and even prouder career journeyman lineman. He was blessed with the opportunity to travel the United States working his trade and making many friends along the way. He was particularly proud of his time at Idaho Power where his propensity for talking earned him the nickname "Ear Ache."

Eric was a very kind, loving, generous person who dearly loved his family, friends and fellow lineman. He is and will forever be missed.



Eric is survived by his wife, Margaret; daughter, Erica; brother, William, and Sharon Gray; stepchildren, Angela and Chris, Erin and Brad,

Bobi, and Casey; 13 grandchildren and two and a half great-grandchildren.

Eric was preceded in death by his mother Jean, and father Walter.

A memorial service will be held at 3 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 17, at the Idaho State Veterans Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations in Eric's name to any medical research facility, food bank, homeless shelter, Salvation Army, Goodwill, animal shelter or Christian organization of your choice.

Remembrances may be left for the family at [www.accentfuneral.com](http://www.accentfuneral.com). Services are under the direction of Accent Funeral Home, Meridian, Idaho.

## John 'Jack' Hamilton Greaves, 90

John "Jack" Hamilton Greaves passed away peacefully in Kalispell on Feb. 22, 2014, at the age of 90, with Betty, his wife of almost 70 years, by his side.

Jack was loved and revered by his family as a man of deep intelligence with wisdom and a dry sense of humor sparkling through.

Jack was born in Grand Forks, N.D., and spent his youth in Great Falls. Jack graduated from Great Falls High in 1942. Betty Gibson entered the picture shortly thereafter, and it was love at first sight. Jack and Betty were married in Great Falls on April 5, 1945.

He studied at the University of Montana, Missoula (1943), Miami University, Oxford, Ohio (1946) and graduated from Montana State University, Bozeman in 1954 with a degree in architectural engineering. In 2009, at the age of 86, Jack was awarded a retroactive Master of Architecture degree from MSU. He was honored to participate in the graduation ceremony that year.

Jack's education was interrupted by his service to his country as a fighter pilot and POW in the Army Air Corps in World War II, where he graduated at the top of his flight school class of 200. In July 1944, Jack arrived in the European Theatre in the 428th Squadron of the 474th Fighter Group. He flew the P-38, P-51, P-47 and P-39, among others.



in California and Montana, his distinctive custom homes can be found in Marin County, Sea Ranch, Great Falls, Whitefish Lake and Flathead Lake, Montana. Jack built about 1.5 homes a year and did most of the building

and finishing himself. He was truly a "Jack-of-all-trades!"

In later years, Jack was the tribal architect for the Salish Kootenai tribes. His community activities include service on the board, Flathead County Library Foundation and the Shoreline Protection board, Flathead Lake.

His interests were reading, fly fishing, cooking, building furniture, engineering and playing the piano — first boogie woogie and later classical music. As a teenager in Great Falls, Jack became an honorary member of the Blackfeet tribe with the bestowed name of Wolf Plume.

In addition to his wife Betty, Jack leaves his children, Susan Greaves Hubele and Robert of Vancouver, British Columbia, Cindy Greaves of Great Falls, and John Gibson Greaves of Rollins. Jack's surviving sister is Marilyn Greaves Hansen of Pasco, Wash. Jack is also survived by Betty's brothers, Dr. Hi and Mary Gibson of Kalispell, and Edward Gibson of Seattle.

MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR  
**JOHN H. "JACK" GREAVES**  
OF ROLLINS, MT • DIED FEBRUARY 22, 2014 (AGE 90)

**CINDY GREAVES**  
OF GREAT FALLS, MT • DIED APRIL 8, 2014 (AGE 65)

**SATURDAY, JUNE 28 • 11 A.M.**  
at **LAKESIDE COMMUNITY CHAPEL**

Please join us for a Memorial Service for Jack Greaves and Cindy Greaves, Jack and Betty's daughter. Following the service there will be a reception at the church and 3 P.M. burial of Jack with Military Honors in Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

After a number of successful missions, Jack was shot down in his P-38 Lightning during the Battle of Falaise-Argentan Gap. Captured by the enemy, he was held for five days by the SS as they marched towards the POW camp. Jack escaped at night by kicking over a lamp and table as his guards played cards. After a couple of days of fleeing through the forests, he came upon a French man chopping wood. Jack managed to prove he was American with a Band-Aid wrapper marked "Made in USA." The French family, the LeGrands, harbored him until the Canadians freed the town of Martainville-Epreville.

After the war, Jack returned to Great Falls and married his sweetheart, Betty Gibson. He worked as an engineer for Proctor and Gamble (Virginia and Ohio), Aerojet (Sacramento, Calif.) and Bechtel (San Francisco). He also was the manager of construction for Wells Fargo Bank, building 60 banks in Northern California.

In the mid-60s, Jack decided to follow his passion for designing and building beautiful homes. As an architect licensed

Jack's grandchildren are Camille Anderson of Calgary, Charis Birchall of Calgary, David Greaves Casey of Brooklyn, N.Y., and Elisabeth "Lisa" Manning of Petaluma, Calif. Great-grandchildren are Casey, Natalie and James Anderson, and Jacob and Audrey Birchall.

Predeceasing Jack were his parents, Dr. Percival and Adelaide Greaves, formerly of Great Falls; and brother, Dr. Donald Greaves; and sister, Jan Greaves. Jack's parents-in-law were Dr. Harry and Ruth Gibson, formerly of Great Falls and Rollins.

Special thanks to Dr. Jonas and Dr. Woodward and staff at the Kalispell Regional Hospital Hospice for the great care, respect and dignity they provided.

Any contributions in Jack's memory can be sent to the Lakeside Chapel, P.O. Box 162, Lakeside MT 59922, or a recipient of the sender's choice.

A celebration of Jack's life will be held on June 28. June 28 would have been Jack's 91st birthday.

## Esther Aubert Green Lyndell Aubert Mace

A celebration of life for Esther Aubert Green, 91, who died Dec. 4, 2013, and Lyndell Aubert Mace, 66, who died April 4, 2014,

will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, July 11, at 830 Kienas Road, Kalispell. For directions, call 260-8839 or 261-1717.

## John Leland Greene, 80

John Leland Greene, 80, died June 4, 2014, after a short illness.

A celebration of his life will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday, June 17

at Glacier Presbyterian Center on Flathead Lake.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home is caring for the family.

## Rodney DeWayne 'Rod' Green, 48

Rodney DeWayne "Rod" Green, 48, passed away at his home in Cartersville, Ga., on Sept. 1, 2014.

He was born on Oct. 23, 1965, in Kalispell to Sharron L. Frach-Green and Larry L. Green. Rod grew up in Kalispell and attended Flathead and Laser schools.

His many accomplishments included working in and owning drywall businesses, moving from Kalispell to Seattle and back to Kalispell. He spent many years at Six Mile Estate in the Swan and developed a deep-rooted love for that area. He was so many things — a firefighter, avid hunter and fisher. He loved the outdoors.

He moved to Missoula and joined a trucking company. This was the beginning of his dreams coming to a reality. He was married to the love of his life, Cristyl Clause Green.

He was preceded in death by his father, Larry Green; and grandparents, Bob and Mildred Frach and Gordon and Thelma Green.

He is survived by his



mother, Sharron Frach Hawk; siblings, Roxie Green Erdman and husband Glenn,

and their sons Ryan and Kyle Erdman; Nikki Hawk and children Tayzha, Caden, Gracie and Faith; Shawna Hawk of Kalispell; Lacey Green Fields and Lynsey Green of Columbia Falls; and his wife, Cristyl Clause Green, and her children Berlynn Houle, Andy Ott and daughter Chevia Weber, Tia Davis and husband Aaron and their children Kandis and Jayden.

A potluck memorial service will be held at 3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 13, at 314 Days Acre Lane, Kalispell.

There is a donation fund set up to get Cristyl with Rod's remains home. If you can help please do so by going to any First Interstate Bank and deposit funds under Tia Clause. If you prefer to mail a donation, send to Cristyl Green, c/o Karin Sagen, P.O. Box 5148, Whitefish, MT 59937.

## John Greene, 80

from January 1961 through June 1963. After his military service, he completed his neurological surgery residency at the University of Iowa in 1967. John's career included a family practice in Audubon, Iowa for 1 and 1/2 years, and a neurosurgery practice in Omaha, from which he retired in 1996, after 28 years.

Walker, Olivia, Bryn and husband Kevin, and Brooke; brother, Charles Gordon of LeMars, Iowa; and cousin, Joy Lloyd of Loudenville, N.Y.

A celebration of John's life will be held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, June 17 at Glacier Presbyterian Center, Flathead Lake.

Memorials may be given in his memory to the Lakeside Food Bank, P.O. Box 192, Lakeside, MT 59922 or to the Glacier Presbyterian Center, P.O. Box 384, Lakeside, MT 59922.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home is caring for John's family. You are invited to [www.jgfhome.com](http://www.jgfhome.com) to view John's tribute wall, offer condolences and share memories.



John Greene, 80, died June 4, 2014, after a short illness, beginning with pneumonia, "an old man's friend."

He was born on Jan. 4, 1934, to Charles Lee and Grace Buelah (Duff) Greene in Omaha, Neb. John graduated from high school in Fremont, Neb. He then attended Wayne State College in Wayne, Neb., and completed his Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Nebraska. He graduated from Nebraska Medical School in 1958. Also in 1958, he married Joan Ruth Fryman on June 22, 1958, in Blair, Neb.

He completed his internship at Indianapolis General Hospital in Indianapolis. In addition, he served in the U.S. Army

Jake J. Greene, 77, died Monday, Oct. 6, 2014, at his home in Eureka.

Survivors include his son, Kelly Greene of Eureka.

Services will be held at

10 a.m. on Monday, Oct. 13 at Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church in Eureka. Arrangements are under the care of Schnackenberg & Nelson Funeral Home in Eureka.



## Melvin 'Smokey' Greene, 95

Melvin "Smokey" Greene, Colonel, U.S.A.F. (Ret.), lived a life of adventure, served his nation with courage and distinction, was a loving husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather, and a loyal friend to so many. This outstanding member of the "Greatest Generation" died peacefully Monday, Jan. 20, 2014, at his home in Austin, Texas, in the loving company of his family. He was 95.

Born April 12, 1918, in Columbia Falls, the beauty of northern Montana was his backdrop as he enjoyed years of hunting and fishing with his father, Ferd, and younger brothers, Howard and Alan. As a teenager Smokey worked for the U.S. Forest Service as a tower lookout and firefighter, later entering the Montana School of Mines in Butte to pursue a degree in mining engineering. He joined the Forest Service's elite Smokeyjumpers unit in 1942, where he earned his nickname "Smokey" and acquired a skill that would later save his life.

In 1943 Smokey joined the Army Air Corps and was assigned to the new B-29 bomber as a flight engineer. During training in Texas he married Martha Achee after a whirlwind wartime romance.

Deployed to Guam, and under the command of the legendary General Curtis LeMay, Smokey and his bomber crew flew five successful sorties. But on his sixth mission, in April 1945 over Nagoya, Japan, a kamikaze pilot slammed into the B-29. Smokey safely parachuted from the burning bomber but spent the remainder of the war in solitary confinement in Omori prison near Tokyo. He was awarded a Purple Heart for his injuries and after the war returned home to Marty and their new son, Smokey Jr., born while he was a prisoner of war.



Mary, Margaret and Stephanie. He retired as a full colonel at Bergstrom AFB, Texas, in 1972 after 29 years of service. Among his many prestigious decorations is the Legion of Merit.

Retiring in Austin, Smokey and Marty enjoyed many happy years with family and friends before she succumbed to cancer in 1986. Smokey relocated to Air Force Village in San Antonio, Texas, and for the next 22 years it was his base to visit family and friends across the country. Smokey would think nothing of driving thousands of miles to visit friends. He and his son made annual trips to Montana to backpack and fish and visit with family.

In 2008 he returned to Austin to live with his daughter Stephanie and her husband, Dr. Mike Werner, where he continued to remain active and enjoy a loving home.

Smokey is survived by his younger brother Howard, his five children and their spouses, nine grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren. He also leaves behind Blaze, his faithful border collie.

Smokey continued his military career, serving at overseas stations including Eritrea in East Africa, Athens, Taiwan and several bases in the U.S. Smokey was a highly effective Air Force leader and logistics expert. He was equally at home on the flight line work-

ing with his aircraft mechanics or dining at the embassy with heads of state.

Along the way the family grew to include daughters, Kathryn,

## Gay A. Greenbach, 77

Gay A. Greenbach, 77, died April 22, 2014, in Kalispell.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

## Thelma Eleanor Gregory, 91

Thelma Eleanor Gregory, 91, died Tuesday, May 13, 2014, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center in Kalispell.

Private family services will be held at a later date. Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home is caring for the family.

## Ramona Jo Griffing, 84

Ramona Jo Griffing was born in Truman, Minn., on Feb. 25, 1930, and passed away on July 6, 2014; she was 84 years young.

She loved and raised eight children of her own and three more that were hers in her heart. She helped raise five grandchildren and several great-grandchildren.

She is survived by seven of her eight children, Duane Griffing, Elizabeth Perrine, James Griffing, Michael Griff-



ing, Barbara Wilson, Marion Nelson, and Donald Griffing, 16 grandchildren and 34 great-grandchildren.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home is caring for Ramona's family. You are invited to go to [www.jgfuneralhome.com](http://www.jgfuneralhome.com) to view Ramona's tribute wall, offer condolences and share memories.

Smokey's visitation will be from 5 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 30, at Weed-Corley-Fish Mortuary, 2620 South Congress Ave., Austin, TX 78704, with remembrance from 7 to 8 p.m. A funeral Mass will be held at 9 a.m. on Friday, Jan. 31, at St. Catherine's of Siena Catholic Church in Austin at 4800 Convict Hill Road Austin, Texas 78749, with interment to follow at 1:45 p.m. at Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery in San Antonio.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations to the Wounded Warrior Project: <https://support.woundedwarriorproject.org>.

## Emily G. Greenup, 92

"Heaven gained the faithful soul" of Emily Greenup, 92, on Saturday, Nov. 8, 2014.

A memorial service will be 11 a.m. on Saturday, April 18, at St. Luke's Lutheran Church in Shelby. The memorial will be preceded by a committal service at 10 a.m. at Mountain View Cemetery in Shelby. Arrangements have been entrusted to Whitted Funeral Chapel, Shelby.

Emily was born Aug. 31, 1922, in Hingham to her immigrant parents, Gunder and Amborg (Standahl) Woldtvedt of Norway.

Living most of her life in Shelby, they remember her as the fun-loving redhead who could be seen caring for her family, supporting the Lutheran Church and working in the community with her younger sister, Ruth Pettigrew.

Emily married the love of her life, Roscoe Greenup, on Aug. 26, 1943, and together they built the family trucking business, had four children and created a legacy of valuing family.

Emily had the type of personality that brought the people around her together for games or for supporting one another during difficult times. Emily loved flowers, she was neat, well-organized, thrifty and always lived below her means, always using God's word as her guide in life, giving faithfully to God's work.

At times, she was the



creative mother, thinking of games to help her children learn their arithmetic; at times

she was a listener, pointing people in the right direction; at a later time in life, she was the grandma that welcomed grandchildren to her home for visits and special chocolates. Most recently she was the great-grandma that held all the tiny great grandbabies.

She especially enjoyed time spent with others when it benefited someone else or an organization such as the quilters group at St. Luke's that crafted hundreds of quilts that were sent to those in need. She often reflected verbally about her family and friends in Shelby who cared and included her in their lives.

Though Emily is no longer here on this earth, her legacy and influence have forever changed us all. Her value for family relationships is continued on in the annual Greenup family reunion that has been held every year since 1976. Her generous spirit continues as we who were touched by her are now honoring her memory with our own actions. We still tell the stories of Emily Greenup, the classy lady with a witty remark and twinkle in her eye.

She is survived by her four children, Robert Greenup of Liberty Lake,

Washington, James Greenup and Donna of Colbert, Washington, Elaine Omdal and Robert of Mead, Washington, and Richard Greenup and Carol of Boise, Idaho; as well as nine grandchildren and 21 great-grandchildren; her sister Ruth Pettigrew, and sister-in-law Anna Mae Woldtvedt, both of Shelby.

Emily "joins many of her family members in heaven," her husband, Roscoe; her parents; brothers, Elton, Gordon, Ray and Mike Woldtvedt;

and her grandchildren, Jason and Sara Greenup.

Memorials can be sent to St. Luke's Lutheran Church, 222 2nd Ave. S., Shelby, MT 59474, referencing either the Roscoe and Emily Greenup Educational Fund or the Missions Ministry.

Please visit Emily's online memorial and leave a message of condolence for the family at [www.whittedfuneralchapel.com](http://www.whittedfuneralchapel.com). You may also read Emily's life history at <http://goo.gl/vxMWSA>.

## Hershel Grigsby Jr., 67

Hershel Grigsby Jr., 67, passed away at his home in Kalispell on Jan. 21, 2014.

Hershel was born July 25, 1946, to Hershel "Whitey" and Verda Lee (Chapman) Grigsby in Louisville, Ky. Hershel's father worked construction so they lived in a variety of places and states during his childhood. His fondest memories were of the time they spent in Butte where he attended most of his high school years. Always moving around, Hershel graduated from high school in Colorado Springs, Colo.

After high school Hershel joined the Marine Corps in 1966 and served two terms in Vietnam, from '66 to '68. Hershel was honorably discharged and returned to Montana.

In 1969, Hershel went to work for Pacific Power and Light where he made his career first as a meter reader, then journeyman lineman to journeyman line foreman and finally operations manager in Bend, Ore., and Rexburg, Idaho. Hershel retired from Pacific Power (Pacific Corp.) in 2002. He worked for Mountain Power for a number of



years after his retirement from Pacific Power.

Hershel spent many years in Kalispell. In 1978 Hershel married Betty Wise (they were divorced in 2010) and in 1985 son Adam was born. Hershel enjoyed fishing on the Flathead and especially McGregor Lake. He also enjoyed hunting with friends.

Hershel was preceded in death by his parents.

He is survived by his son, Adam, and Andrea, and granddaughter Alana Grigsby, of Florence; sister, Mona Brue, and niece, Donna Williams, of Washington; numerous relatives in Kentucky; and his many friends.

A celebration of life will be held from 1 to 4 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 30, at the Elks Club in Kalispell.

Memorials can be made in Hershel's honor to the donor's choice.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for Hershel's family. You are invited to go to [www.jgfuneralhome.com](http://www.jgfuneralhome.com) to view Hershel's tribute wall, offer condolences and share memories.

## Guy W. Gross, 58

Guy W. Gross, 58, a Swan River area native, passed away at his home Wednesday morning, Jan. 15, 2014, of natural causes.

Born in Kalispell March 1, 1955, Guy was the youngest of two sons born to William D. "Don" and Annabel Gross. He attended Swan River Elementary School and then graduated from Bigfork High School in 1973.

Longtime friend and former classmate Jerry Sprunger recalled that back in the day, among other interests, Guy was a founding member of a notorious, if not somewhat rowdy, part of the athletics student cheering section called the "Rat Pack." He definitely was an important part of that school, Sprunger remembers.

Following a family tradition, Guy then left the family ranch to serve on the open seas. He attended various schools to become an ET, or electronics technician, then decided to make the U.S. Navy a career and served for 20 years, retiring as a chief petty officer in the mid-1990s. Early in his career, while stationed in Texas, Guy met local nurse Rebecca Smith. They married and remained together until her passing in fall 2012.

In the Navy tradition at the time, following several years of excellent conduct, Guy earned the gold braid and striping awarded for such service. In his gold braid and dark blue winter uniform, Guy cut quite the handsome, impressive figure. He and Becky visited many exotic places around the world. His duty stations included the U.S. East Coast, the Philippines and Guam, among others, and concluded with some years spent at the Naval Air Station in Bermuda.

Guy, Becky and their



son Chris returned to the Swan River area to settle on the family homestead. Also joining them was stepson Steve "Wood" Delmere, himself a

Navy veteran.

Guy began working at (then) Semitool, where he remained employed for nearly 20 years, surviving many broad layoffs and ups and downs in the electronic-wafer production industry.

An avid golfer, Guy also enjoyed gardening and cooking, and was particularly into online computer gaming. He also was a devoted grandfather, quite proud of young grandson William and granddaughter Caitlynn. On another front, Guy was not afraid to climb aboard a tractor or swather and lead the annual hay harvest on the family ranch.

Guy was preceded in death by his parents, Don and Annabel; and his wife, Becky.

He is survived by his brother, L.D., and Terry Gross, of Bigfork; his son and daughter-in-law, Chris and Christy, of Bigfork; his stepson, Steve "Wood" Delmere of Bigfork; grandchildren, William and Caitlynn, of Bigfork; a nephew, Ward Gross, of Eugene, Ore.; and a niece, Emilie Schulze, of Missoula.

Any memorial services are pending and will be announced at a later date.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for Guy's family. You are invited to go to [www.jgfuneralhome.com](http://www.jgfuneralhome.com) to view Guy's Tribute wall, offer condolences and share memories.

## Leroy H. Grundmeier, 69

Leroy H. Grundmeier, 69, passed away May 11, 2014, at the Montana Veterans Home.

Leroy was born on Sept. 6, 1944, in Blackduck, Minn., where he lived all of his younger life. He learned to work hard and play hard during his time on the farm. In 1964, he moved to Whitefish to be near his sister and brother-in-law. From that time on he loved the mountains and called Montana home.

Leroy served in the U.S. Army from 1965 to 1967. After basic training and radio repair school he was deployed to Vietnam. While there he was injured by shrapnel and was awarded a Purple Heart.

When he returned to Montana he went back to work logging. Leroy had a passion for logging and work in the woods. He worked for multiple logging companies through the years including Bruce Reimer, Will Warner logging and Royal Logging. In March of 1993, he came home in the middle of the day and never worked in the woods again.

He always worked at staying active. As Parkinson's disease made mobility a struggle, he continued to enjoy running his chainsaw and tractor.

Leroy was always ready



to offer help to a friend or neighbor. During his retirement

he modified his passions for logging and his chainsaw to fit his abilities. He made lamps from firewood and used his lawn tractor for mobility. When he could no longer drive he still loved a ride in the mountains or a trip to visit family.

He was preceded in death by his mother, father, brother, two sisters, aunts, uncles and multiple nieces and nephews.

Leroy is survived by his wife of 43 years, Jana Grundmeier; daughter and son-in-law Ken and Kami Doty; sisters, Joyce Quimby of Columbia Falls, Laura Thomas of Beloit, Wis., and Lois Schwegel of Whitefish; along with many nieces, nephews, cousins and very dear friends.

Services will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, May 17, at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home. Military honors will follow at Glacier Memorial Gardens.

At the request of the family, donations may be made to the American Parkinson's Disease Association, c/o John Holland, 808 Grizzly Dr., Great Falls MT 59404.

## Helen Gustafson, 79

Helen Gustafson died peacefully in Whitefish on July 17, 2014, with her family by her side. She was one month shy of her 80th birthday and her 56th wedding anniversary.

Helen was born in Anaconda to Fred and Helen Spellman. Helen was one of eight siblings and graduated from Anaconda Central. After high school she moved to Colorado for a brief period of time.

In 1958 she met her soul mate, Dick, and moved to Georgia where her husband served in the Army. Upon completing his military service they returned to Montana where her husband continued his teaching career. In 1961 they moved to Whitefish and shortly thereafter began raising their family.

Helen loved Montana and enjoyed the outdoors. It was through these interests where she met many of her closest friends. Helen enjoyed golfing, skiing, bridge, baking, and simply spending time with her family, grandchildren and friends. She was outgoing, a friend to many and a stranger to none.

She was an influence in the family as well as the classroom. After raising her children she served as a teacher's aide for over a decade at Helena Flats. Scholastics and children were very important to her and she truly enjoyed her time in this setting and being of service to others.

Later in life her passions included community service and the church. She volunteered at the

senior community center and was an active member of St. Charles Parish. She enjoyed the regular Sunday conversations with her grandkids and the various activities they pursued.

She is survived by her husband, Dick; and their three children, Greg of Anchorage, Alaska, Gary and Ellen of San Francisco and their three children, Jack, Erik and Will, and Glenn of Whitefish; her sister, Janet, of Las Vegas; and by numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her brothers.

A service to remember Helen will be held at 10:30 a.m. today, July 23, at St. Charles Parish in Whitefish. Arrangements are entrusted to Austin Funeral Home.

The family is deeply grateful for the outpouring of love, prayers and support in many heartfelt forms from too many people to name individually. A special thank you to Phyllis, Marg, Shirley, Perk and Pat who provided so much for Helen and our family.

Memorial donations can be made to the Whitefish Community Center at 121 E. 2nd Street, Whitefish, MT 59937.

## Veronica M. Gustin, 106

Veronica M. Gustin, a former longtime resident of Kalispell, died Feb. 10, 2014, in Sublimity, Ore., at the age of 106.

Veronica was born Nov. 19, 1907, in Briggsville, Wis., to Thomas and Ilene (Maher) Joyce. As a young child her family moved to Geraldine, Mont. She attended school in Geraldine and the University of Montana.

She married James E. Gustin in 1932 to which a son, Keith, was born in 1935. The family moved to Kalispell in the late '40s to establish the Kalispell Feed and Grain, which they operated for many years. Upon their retirement they spent their winters in Mesa, Ariz.

Veronica was very dedicated to her family and was an avid golfer and bowler. Many golfers in the Kalispell area attributed their skills to her instructions. She was a self-taught golfer and always enjoyed helping others with their game. During her golfing days at the Buffalo Hill golf

course she won nine club championships and one Labor Day tournament. She was a six-time Montana State Women's Senior Champion and also won many tournaments of the surrounding golf courses. After an illustrious golfing career spanning 47 years, Veronica was inducted into the Montana State Hall of Fame. In Arizona she kept up her winning ways, and in 1991, at the age of 84, became the Super Senior Champion of the Arizona Women's Golf Association.

Veronica was preceded in death by her husband, Jim, of 50 years; son, Keith; and brother, R.T. Joyce.

She is survived by her grandson Jim, great-grandchildren Ella and Eric, and former daughter-in-law, Marie Griffith, all of Stayton, Ore.; Phyllis Ennis, sister-in-law, of Kalispell; and nephews, Jim and Margaret Joyce of Miles City, and Bob and Sherry Joyce of Kalispell.

A graveside service is pending in Kalispell.

MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR  
*Veronica Gustin*  
NOVEMBER 19<sup>TH</sup>, 1907 - FEBRUARY 10<sup>TH</sup>, 2014  
PLEASE JOIN US TO CELEBRATE HER LIFE.

MONDAY, JUNE 23<sup>RD</sup>  
MASS: 9:30AM  
ST. MATTHEWS CHURCH  
CHRISTIAN BURIAL: 11AM  
CONRAD MEMORIAL CEMETARY

