

Telina Mae Taber, 15 months

Telina Mae Taber "was taken into the Lord's loving arms" on Thursday, the 18th of August 2016.

Telina Mae was born on May 20, 2015, in Whitefish.

A viewing will be held at 3 p.m. on Wednesday, the 24th of August, and services will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, the 25th of August, both at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home.

She is survived by her parents, Jordyn Taber and Jake Krumholtz. Maternal grandparents are Frank and Kyndra Fantino of Kalispell, and Mark Taber of Medford, Oregon. Paternal grandparents are Philip and Gail Krumholtz of Del Ray, Florida.

She was preceded in death by great-grandmother Sandy Johnson, and great-uncle Clint Johnson.

At barely a year old, Telina Mae brought so much love and happiness to all who were blessed to meet her. Her sitter Kyla Weber sums it up by saying "When I looked into her big blue eyes all my pain, suffering and cares went away; she always had the ability to make me smile no matter what." Telina was a vibrant, smart, beautiful little girl with a contagious smile and laugh



that struck the hearts of everyone in the room. She loved playing with her friends, puppy

"ro-ro," Saturday nights with Nana and Papa, and Sunday's with Daddy. She was a huge "cuddle bug" and would always give the best snuggles, especially when her mama was holding her close at the beginning and end of each day.

"Telina Mae Taber, thank you for all the love that you have brought this giant family that has come together in nothing short of our everlasting love for you. In your short time on this earth you have left a million miles worth of tiny footprints across our hearts forevermore."

Queveene Talley, 100

Queveene Talley, our mother, aunt and friend, left us June 10, 2016. We celebrated her 100th birthday this March with family and friends. When asked what her secret to a long life was she said, "Work hard and laugh often."

Queveene Twila Colby was born to Walter and Lelia Colby on March 16, 1916, in Kalispell. She was raised on the ranch on Truman Creek near Kila and attended Flathead County High School.

She married Archie Clothier in 1933 at Polson. She had two children with Archie, Valgene and Nancy, and lived in Swan Valley for 10 years until Archie died. Then she moved to Kalispell and worked to raise her children.

In 1947 she married Ed Beck and returned to Swan Valley. She had one son with Ed, George, and lived on the homestead for three years. They divorced in 1950 and she moved to Galen, Montana, where she worked as a diet cook at the Montana State Tuberculosis hospital for 12 years.

In the following years



she moved and worked in Deer Lodge, Missoula and Bozeman before driving by

herself to Alaska in 1968. There she met and married Glenn Talley on July 4, 1971. She and Glenn moved to Sequim, Port Angeles and Wenatchee, Washington, and came to live in Kalispell in 2005. Glenn passed in 2009 and she moved to Buffalo Hills Terrace. She found it to be a community of friends.

She is survived by her son, George his wife Emily and grandchildren, George and Chris Beck and Erika Hufstetler; nieces, Sharon Peters and Connie Tetrault; and nephews, Sid Gilbertson, Harvey Sterner, Melvin, Bob and Clay Colby.

She shared her tremendous sense of humor and enjoyed the company of family and friends.

She requested no services, cremation, and that her ashes be placed at Bethel Cemetery in Somers.

Kam Tarkington, 41

Kam Tarkington, 41, died in Kalispell on July 23, 2016.

No services are

planned.

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

Rita Kay Stroisch Taylor, 67

Rita Kay Stroisch Taylor, 67, passed away on Monday, Aug. 29, 2016.

Rita was born on Jan. 28, 1949, in Kalispell where she was raised and resided.

Rita was most happy enjoying her family, friends, children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

She loved spending time at the cabin on Thompson River with her husband and family, hunting and fishing and enjoying the outdoors. Rita enjoyed visiting with siblings, nieces, nephews and cousins at family gatherings.

Rita cherished her Bible study time with Verla and Roxy. Rita had the deepest faith in the Lord; she was happiest praising and worshiping the Lord, the greatest love of her life.

She was preceded in death by her parents, George and Cleo Stroisch; brothers, Edward Stroisch and Tom Stroisch; and son, Jeremy Justin Taylor.



She is survived by her husband, Jerry Taylor; children, Larry Taylor, Rod Taylor (Denise),

Scott Taylor (Leah), and Kelley Shenefeld (Steve), all of Kalispell; 14 grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; five siblings, David Stroisch (Sharon) of Colville, Washington, Teresa Brandewie of Bigfork, Mary Mummert of Kalispell, Stan Stroisch of Kalispell, and Janet Malave (Marcial) of Sierra Vista, Arizona; and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

A funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 3, at Living Waters Foursquare Church, 2794 U.S. Hwy. 93, with a burial to immediately follow at Glacier Memorial Gardens. A gathering will follow the graveside at Birch Grove Community Center.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Travis Cody Traeger, 44

Travis Traeger, one of the most truly beautiful and loving souls to grace this world, "was called home" on Dec. 27, 2016. Travis was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer earlier in the year. Unfortunately, pancreatic cancer is vicious and ruthless in its attack; fewer than nine percent of patients will survive five years after being diagnosed. Although the odds were stacked heavily against him, Travis refused to give up and persevered valiantly against his attacker, even when going through daily regimens that would have made the rest of us mere mortals cry, "No more! No more!" long before.

Travis was born on Dec. 10, 1972, in Whitefish. He graduated from Flathead High School, attended Flathead Valley Community College, and completed his Bachelor of Science degree in electrical engineering at Montana State University. A born engineer, Travis loved taking things apart and rebuilding them — from his childhood toys, his vehicles as a teenager and young adult, to electrical systems on the Space Shuttle when he worked at Boeing (Yes, he was a "rocket scientist!") to the laser photolithography systems that he worked

with at Ultratech in San Jose, California, where he made his home.

Travis loved motorcycles, model helicopters, drones, travel and especially the ocean. The beach was a special place for him where he felt simultaneously calmed yet invigorated. All of that fades in comparison, though, to the love that Travis had for his family. He was that increasingly rare type of man who awoke each morning with a singular, laser-focused goal — to love, protect, support and provide for his family, wife Kasey, young son Austin, and their two Great Danes, Padme and Disney.

Those who must now demonstrate some of his strength and courage by persevering without him are Kasey and Austin, parents Doug and Ginny Traeger of Kalispell, brother Dan (Courtney) Traeger of Austin, Texas, grandmother Phyllis Picard of Culbertson, Montana, aunts, uncles, cousins (so, so many), nieces, Kasey's entire extended family, and dear, beloved friends around the globe from California and Montana to Germany and Singapore.

A private celebration of Travis' far too short life will be held later this spring.

Lauren Renee (Swallow) Tecca, 26

Lauren Renee Swallow was born on July 24, 1990, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center to Myron and Terrilyn Swallow. She was a bright and funny child, always making her family laugh. She was artistic and enjoyed drawing, flower arranging and various handwork. Lauren was very entrepreneurial. As a teenager, she sold sunflower bouquets at the Kalispell Farmers Market and later crocheted hats. Lauren loved animals; she started breeding and selling Corgi puppies and eventually setters. She poured over pedigrees, health records and bloodlines until she was satisfied with her choice.

Lauren met Marcus Tecca while working at Super 1 in Whitefish. She and Marcus married on March 8, 2013. Lauren loved to cook and bake and was always trying new recipes with Marcus in mind. He will forever be a son and brother to her family. Marcus and Lauren were blessed with a daughter, Megan. Lauren adored Megan, fondly referring to her as "little bird," and was planning a special party for her second birthday.

Lauren passed away suddenly on Friday, Aug. 19, 2016, after collapsing in her home.

Lauren was completely original, always marching to the beat of her own drum. She loved bright, bold colors and fantastic shoes. Her passing has left an unimaginable hole in her family.

Lauren is survived by her husband Marcus, and



daughter Megan; her parents Myron and Terri Swallow of Kalispell; grandparents

Herb and Fern Tronson of Great Falls; mother-in-law Lisa Tecca and Grandma Mary Stevens of Sunburst; sister and brother-in-law Alane and Tim Powell and children Allen, Kayla, Shawn, Ethan, Gavin, Savannah, Westin and Quinn of Columbia Falls; sister Lisa Swallow of Kalispell; sister-in-law Tandra Plympton and children Kahleb, Kaege and Khenlie of Kalispell; brother-in-law Brandon and wife Kristina Tecca and children Taegan and Sephiya of Missoula; and numerous aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

She was preceded in death by grandparents John and Opal Swallow and Steve Stevens.

Services will be held at 11 a.m. on Thursday, Aug. 25, at Central Bible Church in Kalispell, with a graveside service at Glacier Memorial Gardens and luncheon to follow at Central Bible Church.

A memorial fund for Lauren Swallow has been established at Whitefish Credit Union and will be used for the benefit of her 2-year old daughter, Megan Tecca. Checks can be made out to "WCU in memory of Lauren Swallow" and delivered either to the credit union or sent directly to the family at 547 Capistrano Dr., Kalispell, MT 59901.

Gloria Tedrick, 64

Gloria Tedrick, 64, died Saturday, Aug. 27, 2016, in Kalispell.

Services will be held at

a later date.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Bernice A Teigen, 99

On March 24, 2016, Bernice passed away peacefully at the Brendan House in Kalispell.

Bernice was born January 25, 1917, in Kalispell to L.A. and Eleanor Harris. She was the youngest of three daughters. She lived in the Flathead Valley for her entire life.

Bernice attended grade school at West Side School, now Elrod. She then attended the Central School in Kalispell and graduated from Flathead County High School in 1935. Bernice was the first of four generations to graduate from FCHS. She attended Washington State University.

Bernice married Thomas Hebert, her high school sweetheart, in Kalispell at St. Matthews Church. They had three children, Larry, Rosemary and Christine. Thomas was in the armed services and they moved to San Diego and Salt Lake City for a time. They then returned to Kalispell to raise their family. Bernice and Thomas later divorced. In 1959, Bernice married the love of her life, Hank Teigen.

She worked during her lifetime at the Kalispell Hospital, Buttrey's Department Store and Harmon's Dress Shop. Upon her retirement from Harmon's, she and Hank became snowbirds and traveled back and forth from Arizona.

Bernice loved fashion and found many ways to enjoy it. From working in the industry to watching the weddings across the street at the Catholic church, she always knew what was trendy. She never went out without her "face on," which always included red lipstick and Chanel #5!

Bernice had a great love for the outdoors and wildlife, especially birds. She and Hank would camp for most of the summer, enjoying the landscape and animals, feeding the deer and the birds to draw them in to watch and enjoy. You could pop into camp and find her watching the birds with her "bird book" and binoculars close by, always looking tip-top, right down to her lipstick. While camping, Bernice would hunt for wildflowers and always had a bouquet on the table. If



you didn't know the name of a flower, just ask her — she would know.

All through her life, she enjoyed the daily crossword puzzles. Working them daily, right up until the day she passed away. She claimed in her later years, "They helped keep her brain working." She played along with Jeopardy and Wheel of Fortune daily. She'd tell you she did well playing along, but sometimes she cheated! She maintained her "sunny disposition" right up until her final day.

Bernice loved her family and being able to spend time with them. In her younger years she would organize camping trips and "winter picnics" to get everyone together. In her later years her greatest joys were her grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren. In January she celebrated her 99th birthday surrounded by her children and all her grandchildren, which brought her great happiness.

Bernice was preceded in death by her parents; her sisters, Louise and Mildred; her husband, Hank; and son-in-law, Robert Woodland.

She is survived by her children, Larry Hebert and wife Ellie of San Carlos, California, Rosemary Woodland of Kalispell, and Christine Schroeder and husband Vic of Polson; as well as stepsons Don Teigen and Ward Teigen.

She had seven grandchildren, including Kelley Wood and Scott Woodland of Kalispell; eight great-grandchildren, including Amanda Hayes, Cody Wood, Tanner, Travis and Stephanie Woodland, all of Kalispell, and the light of her life, great-great grandchildren Abigail and Brodie Hayes and Hudson Wood of Kalispell.

Cremation has taken place and a private graveside service will be held for the family at a later date. In lieu of flowers, remembrances can be made to a charitable organization of your choice.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Ben C. Tempel, 83

Ben C. Tempel died at home on March 24, 2016.

Ben was born on his family's farm just east of the Sweet Grass Hills in northcentral Montana on May 8, 1932. He was the youngest of eight children and attended a one-room schoolhouse, often arriving by horse. When Ben was a teenager, he and his family moved to Great Falls, where he graduated from high school in 1949.

After high school, Ben decided to see the world by joining the U.S. Navy. He was a communications specialist for four years of active duty and also spent four years in the Naval Reserve. Ben eventually returned to Montana, where he attended the University of Montana, graduating in 1960 with a Bachelor of Science degree in pharmacy.

In 1961, Ben moved to Whitefish to work as a pharmacist at Haines Rexall Drug. He soon took over ownership of the business and remained the owner/pharmacist for the next 25 years. He loved his job and serving the public. Ben was an active member of the Whitefish community for many decades. His civic duties included the Whitefish Chamber of Commerce (past president), Whitefish Lake Golf Club (past president), North Valley Hospital board (past chairman), Whitefish Winter



Carnival (past president and past prime minister), Kiwanis, Flathead Bank board of directors, and the Whitefish Christmas Decoration

Committee.

Ben's favorite pastimes included gardening, wood-working, bird hunting and golfing. He loved spending time with his friends and showing he cared by giving everyone a hard time, always with a twinkle in his eye and a smile on his lips. Ben wasn't one for sitting and didn't do much of it. He was always cracking jokes, right up to the very end. For that and many other reasons, he will be dearly missed.

Ben is survived by his wife of 48 years, Lorraine; his two sons, Curt and Brian, his daughter, Kris; his grandson, Cody; and numerous extended family members.

The family would like to sincerely thank Frontier Hospice for their invaluable and comforting support as Ben approached his final days.

Cremation was handled by Buffalo Hill Funeral Home.

A celebration of life will be held in early May.

Minnie (Mace) Tennant, 99

Minnie (Mace) Tennant, 99, died Sunday, Sept. 4, 2016, at her home in Kalispell.

She is survived by her son, Joe Tennant.

A burial will take place in Washington.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Dorothy Anna (Edley) Terrell, 64

On Jan. 9, 2016, Dorothy Anna (Edley) Terrell "was granted the peace she had so desperately been seeking" since her father passed away several years before.

Dorothy was born on Oct. 7, 1961, in Alameda County, California. Throughout her life, Dorothy was blessed with the chance to see America from coast to coast. She was raised in a Christian home and remained faithful to her beliefs, always praying and encouraging her children to live a godly life.

Dorothy married her surviving husband, Timothy A. Terrell, on Jan. 1, 1979, in Reno, Nevada. They had celebrated their 37th wedding anniversary less than two weeks earlier.

Dorothy's greatest joy in life came from being a wife, mother and grandmother to her six children and nine grandchildren. In her eyes, there was no sacrifice too big to make in the name of her family. In 2008, she and her family moved to Montana for the birth of her first granddaughter.

She spent the rest of her days on earth watching her grandchildren learn and grow into amazing individuals.

Dorothy was preceded in death by her father James Edley, 1935-1996; and her mother Marjorie (McIntosh) Edley, 1939-2015.

She is survived by her seven younger siblings, Sheila and Mike, James and Valaurie, David and Thomie, Marie and Bernie, Dawn and Jimmy, Delma, and Stacie and Joel. She is also survived by her children and grandchildren, John, Timothy and Amanda, Thomas, Dottie, Jennifer and James, Elizabeth, Timothy Jr., Josephine, Isabella, Jene, John, Nikoli, Deron, Daniel and Max.

Dorothy came from a large, close family, and she is survived by many family and friends who miss her deeply.

A celebration of Dorothy's life will be held 1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 30, at North Valley Physical Therapy Room, 235 Nucleus Ave. in Columbia Falls.

MEMORIAL SERVICE

Ben Tempel, 83

A celebration of life for Ben Tempel, 83, who died March 24 will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, May 14, at the Whitefish Lake Golf Course dining room.

Marjorie L. Thoma, 97

Marjorie L. Thoma, 97, died June 12, 2016, in Kalispell.

A celebration of life is

pending.

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

Thomas Wyndham 'Wyn' Thomas, 89

Thomas Wyndham "Wyn" Thomas, a longtime resident of Kalispell, passed away Tuesday, Nov. 29, 2016, at the age of 89.

Wyn was born Aug. 8, 1927, to Richard and Ada May Thomas in the small coalmining town of Ystradgynlais in South Wales.

Wyn was an excellent student, popular among classmates, and he played rugby for a local Ystradgynlais school. He worked in the coalmines during World War II and later developed the skills and reputation of a fine cabinetmaker, home-builder and mason.

Wyn met the love of his life, JoAnn, on a blind date to Disneyland in 1956. They were married in 1957 and eventually settled in Panorama City, California, where they built a wonderful life for their two children and attended Grace Community Church. Wyn's craftsmanship and strong work ethic propelled him through the employment ranks of



the high-end travel coach industry to become superintendent of Boles

Manufacturing.

Wyn and JoAnn moved to the Flathead Valley in 1978 and bought an antique store east of Kalispell, which they operated for many years.

Wyn was an active member of Central Bible Church and a vibrant part of the community. He was a proud Welshman that never met a stranger and had a kind word for everyone he met.

Wyn was a wholly devoted family man and his exceptional example of decency, responsibility, honor and commitment to family will endure for generations.

He is survived by his wife of 59 years, JoAnn; two daughters, Julie and Kimberly; five grandchildren and six great-grand-

children.

Memorial services for Wyn will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Dec. 10, at Central Bible Church.

In lieu of flowers, the

family asks that you make a contribution to the Central Bible Church building fund. The church can be contacted at: Office@centralbiblechurch.com.

Evelyn Thompson, 80

Evelyn Thompson, 80, of Columbia Falls, died at 3:15 a.m. Monday, April 25, 2016, in Tijuana, Mexico, after battling cancer and various complications for 10 weeks.

Evelyn was most well known as a successful businesswoman as a third owner and founder of RBM Lumber in Columbia Falls. She was a hard worker right up to the day she died, and for many years was head sawyer and ran the production crew at RBM Lumber. She was selected as the "Small Business Woman of the Year" by the Small Business Administration in 1997. But her greatest accomplishments were the raising of her family and her own personal growth, which gave her the strength to be the one to whom countless friends, employees and family members went during times of difficulties and need.

She always loved life and the simple things in life like growing flowers



and making her home and yard beautiful. Through her

struggles she always remained positive and never turned away someone in need. She was truly an icon to all those who knew her and will always be missed and remembered.

She was preceded in death by her three older brothers; and survived by her four children, their father and 11 grandchildren.

Please join us in a memorial celebration remembering her life and accomplishments, starting at 12:30 p.m. on Saturday, May 21, at RBM Lumber, with sharing of memories at 2 p.m. There will be food and beverages served and potluck items will be welcome. RSVP greatly appreciated.

William L. Thomas, 92

William L. Thomas, 92, died Thursday, April 28, 2016, at the Montana Veterans Home in Columbia Falls.

A celebration of life will be held at 1 p.m. Sunday, May 15, at the

North Valley Seventh-Day Adventist Church, 269 2nd Avenue East North, Columbia Falls.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Linda Ann Thompson, 76

Linda Ann Thompson, 76, died Oct. 5, 2016, in Bremerton, Washington.

Linda was born July 7, 1940, in Wichita, Kansas, to Walden and Verona Thompson. She grew up in Colorado with sister Sharon and brother Richard. After stints in San Francisco, Dallas and Denver, she moved to Kalispell in 1977, where she remained until moving to Poulsbo, Washington, in 2014.

Linda worked for the United States Forest Service throughout the Flathead Valley for many



years, and was notorious for her naughty sense of humor. She retired in 2000 and enjoyed

stained glass and Risi, her Bichon/poodle mix. She loved life, laughter and was curious about everyone and everything.

She is survived by her son, Keven Elliff, of Chimacum, Washington; and sister, Sharon Dillon, of Rathdrum, Idaho.

Lois J. Thompson, 86

After a short illness, Lois J. Thompson, 86, passed away on Jan. 17, 2016, at her home in Bigfork.

Lois was born on Sept. 1, 1929, to K. Martin Thompson and Myrtle Johnson Thompson in Phelps, Wisconsin, where her father farmed, sold real estate and ran a lumber yard. She learned to drive at age 12 and was trusted with tractors and lumber trucks by age 14. She graduated from high school in Eagle River, Wisconsin, and received a bachelor's degree in biology from St. Olaf College.

After working as a medical technician at Mayo Clinic, she made her career as an insurance underwriter with Wausau Insurance and Willis, Corroon & Black. She lived in Wisconsin, New York, Georgia, Hawaii and California before retiring to Montana in 1993.

Lois loved the outdoors — fishing, hiking, skiing, swimming and horseback riding. She was an avid golfer; last summer she was still playing 18 holes once a week. She trav-

eled extensively, visiting Europe, Canada, Mexico, Alaska and many of the Lower 48 states.

Lois' nieces and nephews remember her as an exciting and indulgent aunt. She followed their lives and those of their children with interest. Her many friends will remember her business acuity, jokes, whistling, love of gadgets, excellent cooking and enjoyment of delicious food and beverages.

A memorial service will be held on Sept. 1 at Bethany Lutheran Church in Bigfork. Her ashes will be scattered at Big Twin Lake in Wisconsin in October.

Notes of condolence can be sent to Lorre Trytten, 60 W. Pelican St. Unit 307, Naples, Florida 34113.

In memory of Lois, donations may be made to Bigfork Food Bank, Bigfork Quick Response Unit or St. Olaf College.

Notes of condolence to the family may also be sent online at www.buffalohillfh.com. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for the family.

Charles 'Charlie' Ronald Thorne, 58

Charles "Charlie" Ronald Thorne passed away suddenly in his home in the early morning hours on Feb. 24, 2016.

He was born March 3, 1957 to Joyce and Ronald Thorne in Grand Rapids, Minnesota. He moved to Kalispell in 1974 where he met and married the love of his life Nora Graham on Dec. 26, 1975.

Charlie enjoyed boating, sledding, and barbecues with his family and friends at the lake. Charlie was the family handyman. There was never a job he couldn't do. He was always there to hang a shade, install a ceiling fan, or build a deck. Charlie's best and final project was the beautiful dock he built at Lake Blaine for his family to enjoy for many years to come. Charlie's lifelong passion was building and racing stock cars. He raced at Raceway Park in his younger years and enjoyed mentoring others for many years after.



He never missed a NASCAR race. His greatest joy in life was his family. He cherished every

moment spent with his children and grandchildren and loved to share his pride of them. He will forever be remembered, loved and missed by his family and friends.

He is survived by his wife Nora Thorne and their four children, Sadie and Darin Anderson, Shannon and Joel Rosenberg, Sarah and Casey Jump, Brian and Angie Thorne; their 10 grandchildren, Dyllan, Bree, Oliver, Reese, Hadlee, Luella, Jack, Carson, Harper, and Oakley; brothers- and sisters-in-law, Steve and Barb Graham, Marcie and Louie Krutsch, Maureena Watkins, Margie and Richard Strack; mother Joyce Broom; and sis-

ters Sharon Hughes and LaRonda Woodall of North Carolina.

He is preceded in death by his father Ronald Thorne and grandmother Nettie McLamb.

There will be a visitation for Charlie from 5 to 7 p.m. Monday Feb. 29, with services to be held

10 a.m. Tuesday, March 1, at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Kalispell. Burial will take place following the chapel services at Glacier Memorial Gardens.

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

Terry Suzanne Thorne, 47

Terry Suzanne Thorne, 47, of Kalispell, died Oct. 9, 2016, in Kalispell.

No services are

planned at this time.

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

David Ray Thornton, 80

David Ray Thornton, 80, passed away on Feb. 29, 2016.

He was a steadfast anchor for his wife and family and will be dearly missed until we see him again.

David was born May 27, 1935, to Lee and Grace Thornton in Walnut Ridge, Arkansas, where he spent his childhood. He was the eldest of three children.

On March 16, 1956, he married Marion Thornton in Denver. The two enjoyed 60 years together and raised three children.

David was skilled at whatever he put his hand to. He worked as a painting contractor, but was always improving his surroundings by remodeling and landscaping both for himself and for others. He had a strong work ethic and imparted that to others.

He loved traveling, photography and gardening. He played piano and loved jazz music. He had an avid interest in life and the world.

In 1956 he was baptized as one of Jehovah's



Witnesses. Serving Jehovah God and helping others to learn about him was very important

to David. One thing he shared with others is the beautiful Bible promise of a resurrection of the dead to life on a paradise earth.

"For the hour is coming in which all those in the memorial tombs will hear his voice and come out," John 5:28.

David and Marion's children include Timothy Thornton and his wife Adriana of Kalispell, Loreen Rickert and her husband David of Kalispell, and Charlette Padilla and her husband Vince of Bigfork. They have 10 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held at 4 p.m. Saturday, March 5, at the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses, 100 Valley View Court, Kalispell, with a reception following.

Norman Earl Thurnau, 82

Norman Earl Thurnau passed away of natural causes on Jan. 17, 2016, in his home in Kalispell. He was 82 years old.

Norm was born in Austin, Minnesota, on March 30, 1933, to Ben and Ruth (Stancl) Thurnau and was later joined by brothers Ken and Jim. Norm grew up in the rural town of Owatonna, Minnesota, where he took part in boyish pursuits such as jumping the fence to get into the fair for free and shooting rats at the dump.

He graduated from Owatonna High School, attended three years at University of Minnesota and then joined the Air Force. He was a navigator and instructor of navigators based out of Waco, Texas, serving four years in the U.S. Air Force and departing service as second lieutenant. He would get up at 2:30 a.m. and do his Air Force duties but was done by 8 a.m. After that it was all about eating poor boy sandwiches, golfing and other shenanigans at the beach.

Norm followed his Air Force friend Jim Pfusich and future brother-in-law Sandy Demmons to Montana where he wanted to become a logger. Instead, he went to University of Montana in Missoula where he met Sandy's younger sister, Ann Demmons, Norm's future wife. He received a Bachelor of Science degree in business in 1959 and promptly put it to task working as a stock boy at Buttrey Foods in Kalispell.

Norm and Ann married in Kalispell at Christ Church Episcopal on June 24, 1960. Norm took the assistant manager position at Buttrey's in Havre in 1962 and was later promoted to store manager and held that position until he retired. Norm was known for his friendliness and strong work ethic. Nearly everyone in Hill County knew and loved "Norm from Buttrey's." Norm came out of retirement to work for several years at Collection Bureau Services with Ted Reber and Bob Butler.

During his time in Havre, Norm raised three children, played many years of fast-pitch softball



the Bear Paws. He had a wonderful, deep voice and enjoyed singing at services at St. Mark's Episcopal Church.

Norm and Ann retired in the Flathead Valley in 1992 where they had spent many Christmases and summer vacations with their children during their working years.

For years Norm continued to pursue his passions of golf, skiing and spending time with family. He loved going to family reunions, family birthdays and attending his grandchildren's school, musical and sporting events and was a lifelong Griz fan. He was a strong and yet gentle man every day of his life.

Norm is survived by Ann, his wife of 55 years; his brother, Ken, and wife, Mary Lou, of Owatonna; his brother, Jim, of Albert Lea, Minnesota; his sons, Randy of Kirkland, Washington, and Todd of Missoula; and daughter, Julie, and husband, Gib Koch, of Bigfork; as well as his grandchildren, Ryan and Serena Koch of Bigfork, and Jessica (Koch) and Philip Lodien of Kalispell; and many Thurnau and Demmons nieces and nephews.

and golf, and become a community leader by serving on the city council, for the Optimist Club, on the church vestry and as a ski patrol in

He will be missed deep in our hearts and for years to come, but we know he was a man of strong faith and lived in Christ's peace throughout his life. We long for the day we will be together again.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. on Monday, Jan. 25, at Christ Church Episcopal, 215 Third Avenue East in Kalispell. A gathering for the celebration of Norm's life will also be planned for spring or summer of 2016.

In memory of Norm, donations may be made to Christ Church Episcopal or the charity of your choice.

Frances L. Tice, 85

Frances L. Tice, 85, "went to be with the Lord" on Jan. 27, 2016.

She was born in Spokane, Washington, on Feb. 20, 1930, to William E. Chase Jr. and Lillian M. (Satterly) Chase.

When Frances was 18 months old Lillian married Lowe D. Adsitt, who raised Frances as his own. Frances grew up in Spokane and attended Rogers High School, where she was part of the tumbling team. She married Everett Leroy Tice on May 22, 1951. Frances and Everett lived in Spokane until they moved to Lewiston, Idaho, in 1962. Frances opened up and ran a ceramic shop out of her home. Ceramics was her passion and throughout the years she had many students. After Everett retired they moved to Kalispell, where she continued that passion until she retired at the age of 82. Frances was a longtime member of The Risen Christ Catholic Parish in Kalispell.

Frances is survived by her children, Dennis (Marika) Tice of Deer Lodge, Candis (Dennis) Myers of Henderson, Nevada, Michael Tice of Kalispell, Kathleen (Troy) Klunder of Gambell, Alaska, and John Tice of Kalispell. She is also survived by 14 grandchildren,



several great-grandchildren and several great-great-grandchildren; sister Katherine (Louis)

Wentzel of Manvel, Texas, brother Ronald (Rita) Adsitt of Dupont, Washington, sister Patricia (James) Murphey of Spokane, sister Barbara (Jerry) Shaw of Mount Vernon, Washington, sister-in-law Linda Adsitt, and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband Everett and brother Richard Adsitt.

Memorial services for Frances Louise (Chase-Adsitt) Tice will be held June 4, 2016. To send a note of condolence to the family please visit www.buffalohillfh.com. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Bill DonTigny, 56

Bill DonTigny, 56, formerly of Bigfork, died May 8, 2016, at home in Lake Stevens, Washington.

He is survived by his parents, Don and Marilyn; wife, Ann; and daughters, McKenzie and Madison.

MEMORIAL SERVICE

Frances L. Tice

A memorial service for Frances L. Tice, 85, who died Jan. 27 will be at 11 a.m. Saturday,

June 11, at Risen Christ Catholic Church, 65 W. Evergreen Drive, Kalispell.

Ross Paul Titus, 91

Ross was born Dec. 1, 1924, in Olney, Illinois.

During World War II, while in high school, he became a broadcast engineer at the radio station for the University of Illinois (which basically became the predecessor for PBS). In 1943 he entered the Army Air Corps and was trained as a radio operator. In basic training he became the squadron boxing champion.

Ross was stationed with the most active bomb group, the 379th Bomb Group in Kimbolton, England, and flew 35 missions over Germany. He initially was a ball turret machine gun operator on the underside of the B-17 Flying Fortress. Later, he was the radio operator and waist gunner. His plane was shot down on one raid, losing the bombardier.

Following the war, Ross obtained a master's degree in history at the University of Illinois and majored in Russian history since the Cold War had now begun.

In college, Ross met Marion Chandler and they later married, sharing over 60 years together.



After a brief stint as an analyst for the CIA, Ross entered the Diplomatic Service as a foreign service officer. Stationed initially at St. John's, Newfound-

land, Ross and Marion spent the rest of his career in the Eastern Bloc countries Yugoslavia, Hungary and Poland interspersed with short stints in Washington, D.C. Ross spoke those three languages fluently as well as Russian.

Following retirement, Ross began a hike following the Continental Divide trail northward from the Mexico/New Mexico border. In 1979, Ross continued this lengthy high-altitude trail each summer, sometimes joined by Marion and his younger brother. This hike was completed in 1983, possibly the first such foot-by-foot completion.

Ross, by now living near Bigfork, continued mountain trail hiking right up until his death

and was very active in the Wilderness Society, leading the local chapter at one time.

He died Jan. 30, 2016, just outside his home near Bigfork.

Ross was preceded in death by his parents, two sisters, and wife Marion.

He is survived by a younger brother in California.

Visitation will be held from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 6, at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home with graveside services to follow at noon at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery, with military honors.

To send a note of condolence to the family, please visit www.buffalohillfh.com. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Robert L. Toelke, 83

Robert L. Toelke, 83, died Friday, Oct. 14, 2016, at St. Luke Community Hospital in Ronan.

Memorial services are

pending.

Arrangements are under the direction of Shrider-Thompson Funeral Home.

Wayne Andrew Tompkins, 77

Wayne Andrew Tompkins, 77, died at St. Joseph Hospital in Polson. No services are planned.

The Lake Funeral Home and Crematory in Polson is handling arrangements for the family.

Carol Leona Toney, 55

Carol Leona Toney passed away on July 26, 2016, at 1 p.m. in the Lake View Care Center in Bigfork after a six-month battle with cancer.

Carol was born and raised in the Sacramento, California, area and moved to Missoula when she was in her last year of high school, where she attended Sentinel High and met her best friend Sharon.

Carol worked as a cosmetologist, bar manager and bartender in her 20 years living in Bigfork. She enjoyed camping, fishing and rafting trips with her family. She raised three sons, Ross Derosier, Donny Tudahl and Jacob Tudahl, from the time she was 18. She is survived by each of them and a grandson, Nathan Derosier.

Her father, grandmother, and grandfather preceded her in death.

Carol always said her



favorite job, the one that she did best, was being a mom. Having spent her entire adult

life being a mom, Carol picked up many other "children" along the way. She always had a full heart to share and a place someone less fortunate could call home. Carol was a truly amazing and strong-willed woman. She will be missed, but her memory and love will live on through the tremendous number people she has touched in her life.

Join us at 2 p.m. on Aug. 14 at Clementine's in Bigfork. The venue address is 265 Bridge Street, Bigfork, Montana 59911. We look forward to coming together and celebrating this amazing woman's life.

"We love you, Mom."

Stanley Trapman, 51

Stanley Trapman, 51, of Kalispell, died Dec. 30, 2016, at Heritage Place.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Sara J. Townsend, 63

Sara J. Townsend, 63, died Friday, April 1, 2016, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center in Kalispell.

She is survived by her husband, David

Robbenmolt; and daughters, Krista Rodler and Adrienne Robbenmolt.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home is caring for the family.

William Henry Trankle, 85

William Henry Trankle, 85, formerly of Kalispell, died Saturday, June 4, 2016, at Vidant Beaufort Hospital in Washington, North Carolina.

He is survived by his wife, Jeanne; and his children, George Trankle of Glen Burnie, Maryland, Jim Trankle of Shadyside, Maryland, Kerri Shoemaker of Edmond, Oklahoma, and Scott

Nunn of Berlin, Vermont.

A graveside funeral service will be at 10 a.m. today, June 8, at Eastern Carolina Veterans Cemetery in Goldsboro, North Carolina. A memorial service will be held 6:30 p.m. today at River City Christian Center in Washington, N.C.

Paul Funeral Home & Crematory of Washington is caring for the family.

Travis Cody Traeger, 44

Travis Traeger, one of the most truly beautiful and loving souls to grace this world, "was called home" on Dec. 27, 2016. Travis was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer earlier in the year. Unfortunately, pancreatic cancer is vicious and ruthless in its attack; fewer than nine percent of patients will survive five years after being diagnosed. Although the odds were stacked heavily against him, Travis refused to give up and persevered valiantly against his attacker, even when going through daily regimens that would have made the rest of us mere mortals cry, "No more! No more!" long before.

Travis was born on Dec. 10, 1972, in Whitefish. He graduated from Flathead High School, attended Flathead Valley Community College, and completed his Bachelor of Science degree in electrical engineering at Montana State University. A born engineer, Travis loved taking things apart and rebuilding them — from his childhood toys, his vehicles as a teenager and young adult, to electrical systems on the Space Shuttle when he worked at Boeing (Yes, he was a "rocket scientist!") to the laser photolithography systems that he worked

with at Ultratech in San Jose, California, where he made his home.

Travis loved motorcycles, model helicopters, drones, travel and especially the ocean. The beach was a special place for him where he felt simultaneously calmed yet invigorated. All of that fades in comparison, though, to the love that Travis had for his family. He was that increasingly rare type of man who awoke each morning with a singular, laser-focused goal — to love, protect, support and provide for his family, wife Kasey, young son Austin, and their two Great Danes, Padme and Disney.

Those who must now demonstrate some of his strength and courage by persevering without him are Kasey and Austin, parents Doug and Ginny Traeger of Kalispell, brother Dan (Courtney) Traeger of Austin, Texas, grandmother Phyllis Picard of Culbertson, Montana, aunts, uncles, cousins (so, so many), nieces, Kasey's entire extended family, and dear, beloved friends around the globe from California and Montana to Germany and Singapore.

A private celebration of Travis' far too short life will be held later this spring.

Frederick John Jacob Trapp Jr., 93

Frederick John Jacob Trapp Jr. of Bigfork passed away on Feb. 29, 2016, peacefully in his home, at the age of 93.

He was born June 14, 1922, in Belvidere, Nebraska, to Frederick and Florence (Krips) Trapp. At a young age, the family moved back to Pennsylvania to the family farm. He attended schools in Reading and Pottstown, Pennsylvania.

He enlisted in the Marines at the age of 18 and served in World War II in the South Pacific as a radio/communications technician. Upon his honorable discharge, he returned to Pennsylvania. With the encouragement of his Marine buddies, he applied to college and was accepted at the University of Colorado in Boulder, graduating in 1949, earning a degree in mechanical engineering at the top of his class in three years.

While attending college, he met and married the girl next door, Marion Vogel. They were married for 60 years and raised seven children in Boulder, Colorado. He was a Scout master for Boy Scout Troop 72 and had a positive impact on a generation of young boys, sharing with them his love of the outdoors, hiking, fishing and camping in Rocky Mountain National Park. He spent many weekends with his family picnicking, hiking and fishing in the park.

He worked for the Atomic Energy Commission at Rocky Flats in Boulder for 28 years as a mechanical engineer.

He and Marion retired to Bigfork ("the last best place") in 1981, where he loved fishing and hiking in Jewel Basin, the Swan River and Lake McDonald. His favorite spot was Crane Mountain, where the huckleberry picking was good and where he cut firewood in



his "personal athletic club." Fred and Marion helped revive the Bigfork Inn, where they loved to dance on Friday and Saturday nights to the

Company Brass.

He was an active member of Sacred Heart of Jesus Church in Boulder and St. Catherine's and Saint John Paul II Catholic Church in Bigfork. His deep Catholic faith sustained him through the years, especially when he personally cared for his wife Marion for many years until her passing in 2008.

He was preceded in death by his wife Marion, a brother and sister, and an infant daughter.

He is survived by seven children, David, son Henry; Caroline Pitz and Chuck, children Nicholas and Nathan; Chris; Suzie Keenan and Bob, children Marissa Dauenhauer and Sam, Conor and Laura, Kyle, Sara and Ryan; Judy Schmutz and Karl, children Christian, Loren, Ann Trapp and Steve Furchner, son Alex; and Monica Tilton and Scott, children Bayne and Burke; and 10 great-grandchildren.

There will be a rosary at 10 a.m. and a Mass of Christian Burial at 11 a.m. on Monday, March 7, at Saint John Paul II Catholic Church followed by a reception and burial at the Bigfork Community Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial tributes can be sent to the Sisters of the Poor, c/o EWTN, 5817 Old Leeds Road, Irondale, AL 35210; or to the Bigfork Food Bank.

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

Dean Travis, 88

Dean Travis, 88, of Bigfork, died Nov. 9, 2016, in Queen Valley, Arizona.

He is survived by his wife, Virgene Travis, of

Bigfork; two sons and two daughters.

Cremation has taken place and his ashes will be spread in Cut Bank in the spring.

Brad Treat, 38

On the afternoon of June 29, 2016, Brad Treat passed away near his home outside of Glacier National Park as a result of an encounter with a bear. Brad was 38 years old.

Although his time was short, Brad will be remembered for having a perfect slice of life. An exceptional man, his life was filled with highlights and special memories that were unique to him. His heart and his dedication will be remembered and admired by all who knew him. A selfless person, he made others around him better.

He was born in Kalispell, Montana, on Sept. 23, 1977. He graduated from Flathead High School in 1996 where he was a standout athlete and leader. As one of Montana's best distance runners, Brad was a member of the track and cross-country team at Washington State University where he earned his B.A. in Sociology. He then attended the University of Montana, running for the Grizzlies and earning his Master's Degree in Criminology.

Brad married Somer Hileman of West Glacier in 2000. Having a love of the outdoors, Brad and Somer returned to West Glacier and began their life together. Brad started his career as a federal law enforcement officer and worked tirelessly on behalf of others. Brad excelled in his position where his technical skills and capabilities were



complemented by good judgment, humility and kindness. Brad's professionalism and demeanor estab-

lished a benchmark for the profession and he was the personification of a law enforcement officer.

Brad is survived by his wife, Somer, a very close and loving family, and many devoted and admiring friends. Brad and Somer felt privileged to love many children as their own and were an exceptional "uncle and aunt" to many.

Brad's memorial will be held on Thursday, July 7, 2016, at Legends Stadium in Kalispell at 10 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that Brad be remembered through a scholarship fund with Flathead High School Athletic Division in memory of Brad Treat. Memorial donation checks can be made out to "Kalispell Public Schools in Memory of Brad Treat" and given to Glacier Bank of Kalispell and online donations can be made at gofundme.com/2cmwd3yp.

For those with a personal connection to Brad, the family asks that stories and memories of him be emailed to bradtreat-memory@gmail.com.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Services on Thursday for mauling victim

A celebration of life ceremony will be conducted for Brad Treat at 10 a.m. Thursday at Legends Field in Kalispell.

Treat, who was a law enforcement officer for the Flathead National Forest, died Wednesday afternoon when he was mauled by a bear south of West Glacier. According to a report by Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks, Treat and a companion were riding mountain bikes when Treat collided with a bear on the bike path and was fatally attacked by the bear.

Traffic directors will be on hand in the vicinity of Legends Field to assist as parking is extremely limited in the area. The entrance to the field is located at the intersection of 12th Street West and Third Avenue West.

In lieu of flowers, the



family has set up a scholarship fund with Flathead High School Athletic Division in memory of Brad. Memorial donations checks can be made to Kalispell Public Schools, in memory of Brad Treat and mailed to Glacier Bank, 202 Main Street, Kalispell, MT 59901.

BRAD TREAT Funeral motorcade will pass through Kalispell on Thursday

By SAM WILSON
Daily Inter Lake

Flathead National Forest officials are planning for 3,000 people to attend Thursday's funeral ceremony at Legends Stadium for Brad Treat, the forest law enforcement officer who was attacked and killed by a bear while mountain biking last week.

Forest spokeswoman Janette Turk said a motorcade will begin lining up at Glacier High School at 7:30 a.m. and the procession will depart about an hour later, following Wolfpack Way and Old Reserve Drive to U.S. 93.

She noted there likely will be traffic impacts as the caravan heads through downtown Kalispell, following Main Street to 12th Street West and

ending at Legends Stadium at Third Avenue West.

Turk asked that funeral attendees and those driving in the procession be considerate of residents in the neighborhoods surrounding Legends Stadium, since parking will be extremely limited.

The ceremony at Legends Stadium begins at 10 a.m.

MONTANA Fish, Wildlife and Parks announced over the weekend it had called off the search for the bear and removed traps set up in the area after determining that Treat had collided with the animal in the Green Gates trail network, just south of West Glacier on Flathead National Forest land.

The roughly 10-square-acre area surrounding the scene of

the attack remains closed to the public.

Turk said the closure likely will be lifted soon, but because the bear traps use strong-smelling attractant, officials were waiting for the smell to disperse in case bears had been lured to the area.

Fish, Wildlife and Parks spokesman John Fraley said Tuesday the investigation was continuing, but declined to say whether officials believe a significant public safety threat could remain.

"You can't say any one area is more dangerous than any other in grizzly country," Fraley said. "They're looking for any other evidence or results of the investigation that will shed light on the incident as a whole."

Constance Ilene (Dial) Trinastich, 64

Constance Ilene (Dial) Trinastich, 64, passed away in her home suddenly on Thursday, March 3, 2016.

She was born Sept. 5, 1951, in Great Falls.

Connie was preceded in death by both parents, Frederick and Hazel Dial, and her husband Robert Allan Trinastich, "Bobby T."

Survivors include her sons, Jay DeWaters, wife Judi and son Elias, of Missoula; Colby DeWaters, wife Kerri and daughter Annabelle, of Pinetop, Arizona; and Dylan DeWaters and wife Athena, of Riverton, Utah; sisters, Lynda Thomas, husband John and son Jeff and daughter Lorraine, of Kimberly, Oregon, Beverly Dowling, husband Tom and daughter Hillary, of Columbia Falls, and Sharon Dial, of Tucson, Arizona.

She attended Montana State University and



moved to Anaconda shortly after. From there, she moved to Columbia Falls in 1977 with three

sons, and later ran a day care, was an aerobics instructor, and worked many years for Whitefish Credit Union, where she was promoted as a manager. Connie moved to Tucson in 2004.

She will be remembered for being a loving mother, grandmother, aunt and friend. Her interests included freelance writing, crossword puzzles, gems and various crafts. She loved taking care of her three pets and was adored by many due to her gentle and kind nature.

A memorial will be held noon Saturday, March 12, at Woodlawn Cemetery in Columbia Falls.

Eldon 'Roy' Truman, 59

Eldon "Roy" Truman passed away, surrounded by family and friends, Dec. 5, 2016.

With his infectious grin and loveable personality, his passing has left many people heartbroken.

If a man is measured by being loved, he was a very rich man indeed. He will be missed by so many.

Roy was the only son of Barbara and Duke Truman, born Aug. 22, 1957.

Being the only son with four sisters, he was doted on and spoiled by sisters and parents alike.



His childhood was spent in Rexford, running with his beloved cousins.

Losing his dad at a young age, he was the son of many.

He worked for Glacier Concrete and ran it after the death of his stepfather.

He married his soul mate, Susan, in 1982. They first settled in Ferndale, where they had their son, Jakeb, and a few years later they

moved to Evergreen, where they had their daughter, Katrina.

Roy was the world's best worker. It was his passion. His many jobs included working for GSI, Nupac, the City of Kalispell and Glacier Precast.

He was the proud grandfather of Willow, Abel and Zaniel Truman.

He is survived by his wife, children, grandchildren, sisters and many, many relatives and friends.

With a "heart of gold and a smile as wide as the Rockies," he will be

missed by all.

His service will be held at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 17 at the Evergreen Junior High School gymnasium, 18 W Evergreen Dr. in Kalispell.

Ruth M. Trush, 89

Ruth M. Trush, 89, passed away on Dec. 3, 2015, at her home in Lynnwood, Washington.

Ruth was born in Chicago to Norbert and Elsa Rincker on Nov. 4, 1926. She married her husband of 61 years, Charles Trush, on Jun. 18, 1949, and upon completion of his military service they moved to Kalispell and raised their family. In 1980 they left Kalispell for Malta, followed in 1982 by a move to Alaska in 1982, where



they resided until retiring to Lynnwood in 2008.

Ruth was an active member of Trinity

Lutheran Church in Kalispell, faithfully shepherding her family along the way. She continued her journey in Alaska at Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church for many years.

Ruth enjoyed the many adventures she shared

with Charles, her family and friends, be it skiing on Big Mountain, hiking Glacier Park or their many adventures with the Alaska Pioneers club.

She was preceded in death by her husband Charles in 2011.

She is survived by daughters Amy Henry of Wasilla, Alaska, Gayle and Brian Bourke of Rancho Mirage, California; sons David and Annie of Lynnwood, Paul and Allison of Wasilla, and John of

Anchorage, Alaska; grandchildren Nathan, Alina and Jason Henry, Hayden, Boone and Bennett Bourke, and Danielle, Brandon and Paxton Trush; great-grandchildren Killey and Taylor Henry; sister Judy, and brothers William and John.

A celebration of Ruth's life will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. on July 30 at Lone Pine State Park visitors center near Kalispell.

Charlotte Elaine 'Choc' Trust, 94

On March 24, 2016, our wonderful, loving mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and very special friend, Charlotte Elaine "Choc" Trust, "went home to our heavenly father."

Born on June 14, 1921 in Du Quoin, Illinois, Choc was the only child born to Nicholas and Lillian Betz.

Early in her life, the family moved to Los Angeles, where her father was a street-car conductor and firefighter. She attended Leuzinger High School in Lawndale, California, where at age 16 she met her life-long soul mate and husband of 66 years, Don Trust.

Marrying shortly after high school, the two traveled most of the country as guests of the U.S. military, during which Don became an officer of the United States Navy. Following WWII, they settled in Los Angeles, where he began a 30-year career in the Los Angeles City Fire Department. Choc's life



would be dedicated to supporting her husband and raising their three sons. As a mother, Choc ruled

the roost with a firm, but loving hand and a keen sense of humor. She had an incredible intuitiveness of human nature, which led to her being everyone's best friend.

In 1957 Don and Choc moved to Riverside, California, where they purchased a small ranch and together in 1962 established Trust Builders Supply, a highly successful family business. There, they were perfect partners in every way. On the farm Choc taught herself the outdoors life, which included growing and canning fruits and vegetables, raising farm animals (horses, cows, pigs, chickens, rabbits) and processing all of the by-products

for the table. In her spare time, she stepped up as the secretary, bookkeeper, community postmaster and personality of the retail business.

Then in 1992, to support Don's love of golf, they worked together to build their part-time home in Bigfork, where they enjoyed retirement and their many friends nurtured over the years. Their love for each other, their family and the outdoors were truly very special.

Choc was preceded in death by her beloved husband, parents and one son, Phillip, a Riverside Police Officer.

She is survived by two sons, Kenneth and Jerry. She leaves behind six grandchildren, Jason, Tammy, Brandon, Emily, Heather and Torrey. Choc had eight great-grandchildren, Zackery, Savannah, Jacob, Jordan, Joshua, Jera, Jordan and Ashlyn; and one great-great-granddaughter, Misty.

Grace Turner, 98

Grace Turner, 98, of Whitefish, died in Whitefish on July 22, 2016. Arrangements are

pending.

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

Harold H. Turner, 87

After living a joyous, love-filled life, Harold H. Turner "went home to heaven" Friday, Aug. 12, 2016. He spent 87 years as a beloved son and brother, husband, dad, "papa" and friend.

Harold was born May 23, 1929, in Elmwood, Wisconsin, the fifth of nine children welcomed by Everett and Violet Turner. He spent his childhood working the family farm alongside his dad and brothers, and his early adult life working harvests and dam construction in North and South Dakota with his cousin Leo.

In 1949, Harold met the love of his life, Betty Mae Wolske, while serving as attendants in the wedding of his brother, Paul. Following a year of courtship, they married on Aug. 28, 1950. After he became a telegrapher for the Great Northern Railroad and later the Milwaukee Railroad, Harold and his "Betsy



Mae" spent the next few years moving from state to state to meet the needs of his job before settling back in Wisconsin for a few years. During that time, they welcomed eight children into their family — five boys and three girls.

In 1969, Harold decided with his wife to finally fulfill a life's dream by moving their family to Montana. They settled in an old, railroad section house near Coram, and Harold began 18 years of work for the Anaconda Aluminum Company.

Though he enjoyed many hobbies including woodworking, hunting and raising chickens, Harold's main joy was sailing. In 1981, while still working full time, he and Betty began the six-

year task of constructing their very own 38-foot sailboat in the yard at their home. Finally, in 1987, his dream boat was finished and christened "The Betsy Mae" after his adored wife and co-captain. The next 10 summers were spent on their boat sailing the waters of Puget Sound, Washington, San Juan Islands, Washington, and up into Alaska.

Harold spent the remaining seasons and valued moments of each year surrounded by the many grandkids and great-grandkids. Whether he was piled under a stack of rambunctious kids sledding on the big hill, racing the old wheelbarrow around stuffed four or five kids wide, or knotting the socks and shirt sleeves of the nearest victim; his fun smile, snarls and hugs were sought-out by all. His presence here will be greatly missed by all,

"but his new home in heaven is rejoiced."

Harold was preceded in death by his parents, an infant sister, Crystal; brothers, Eldon, Paul, Archie and Everett Jr.; and sisters, Dora, Faye and Wilma.

He is survived by his wife, Betty Mae Turner; brother, Warren Turner (Daisy); his children, Michael (Cyndi), Maurice, Daniel (Doris), Mark (Darlene), Sandra (Jeff Kaiser), Linda (Jack Polzin), Clay (Vickie), and Mary (Jerry Mamuzich); 16 grandchildren and several step-grandchildren; and 21 great-grandchildren.

A funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. today, Aug. 17, at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, 640 7th St. W. in Columbia Falls.

Donations in Harold's name can be made to Our Redeemer Lutheran Church or Whitefish Center Genesis HealthCare. Columbia Mortuary is caring for the Turner family.

James Leon Tuten, 71

Memorial services for James Leon Tuten, 71, of Cairo, Georgia, will be held at 10 a.m., Saturday, May 7, at Pine Park Baptist Church, Cairo. The Rev. Gordon Cloud and the Rev. Jimmy Burt will officiate. Services will conclude at the church. Private interment will be in Pine Park Baptist Church Cemetery. Mr. Tuten passed away at his home in Grady County on Thursday, April 28, 2016.

Mr. Tuten was born on June 15, 1944, in Grady County, Georgia, to the late Mary Frances Tuten.

On June 7, 1967, he married Sheila Diane Jones Tuten, who survives, and they shared 48 wonderful years together.

Leon worked as a teacher, administrator and food service director in positions in the Thomasville City Board of Education and the Grady County Board of Education. He was a deacon and Sunday school teacher at Pine Park Baptist Church where he was a devoted member. He was an active member in Kiwanis from 1985 to 1998, and he served as the president, 1990 to 1991.

Leon loved his family, friends, and God's beautiful world. In retirement, he especially enjoyed photographing scenery of God's beauty, flora and fauna in Yellowstone and Glacier National Parks.

Survivors include his wife, Sheila Diane Jones Tuten of Cairo; children, Kevin Tuten and Angel of



Crawfordville, Florida, Amy Tuten Bergman and Bobby of Cartersville, Georgia, and Brian Tuten and Jodi of Phoenix;

grandchildren, Keira Tuten and Kaeden Tuten, both of Crawfordville, Evan Bergman and Gillian Bergman, both of Cartersville, Kendall Tuten, Chloe Tuten, Sydney Tuten, Elijah Tuten, Tirzah Tuten, Hosanna Tuten and Mercy Tuten, all of Phoenix; brother and sister-in-law, Charles Garner of Pelham, Georgia, and Evelyn Garner of Tallahassee, Florida; and sisters, Sandra Garner Reno and Kenny of Sylvester, Georgia, Wanda Garner Beasley and Steve of Sale City, Georgia, and Jan Garner Blackburn and Mike of Sale City.

He was preceded in death by his stepfather, Huey Columbus Garner; and his mother, Mary Frances Tuten Garner.

Memorial contributions may be made in Mr. Tuten's memory to Pine Park Baptist Church, 3783 Pine Park Road, Cairo, GA 39828; or A Christian Ministry in the National Parks (<http://acmnp.com>).

The family will receive friends at the church immediately following the memorial service.

Guests may sign the online register at www.clarkfuneral.com.

Cheryl E. (Rames) Tweet, 72

Cheryl E. (Rames) Tweet, 72, a beautiful lady who shared cashes of smiles to all her banking customers over the past 40 years in Kalispell, lost the race to cancer on July 3, 2016.

"She may have lost the race, but she crossed the finish line hand-in-hand with Jesus, who was waiting with great joy!" There was no first place finish according to the sporting world, but a first class trip to Heaven — all past sins and sorrows left behind, gifted by the grace of the gospel! Can I get an "Amen"?

Cheryl was born on Dec. 5, 1943, in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, to the sweetest, salt-of-the-earth people you'd ever know, Dwight and Eleanor Rames. She spent her early youth in the small town of Olivet, South Dakota — one of those magical, heart-of-the-Midwest places authors pen in their quaint stories of endearing Americana. She then moved and lived on a little ranch in Rapid Valley, near Rapid City, South Dakota.

She worked one summer at the famous "Wall Drug" near the Badlands of South Dakota before graduating in 1961 from Rapid Valley High. There she met and married her first husband and welcomed her one and only bundle of joy: a daughter. Seeking to find and enjoy the mountains instilled



in her husband's Norwegian DNA, the couple ventured away from the flatlands and found

themselves with only \$8.01 to their name in the middle of Columbia Falls in 1967. With the help of a kind patriarch of the valley, Louise Monk, Cheryl established a house to put down roots and find a job at First National Bank of Kalispell (now Wells Fargo on First Ave. East).

With her years at making the beautiful Flathead her home, she broadened her banking career at other financial institutions, retiring from Parkside Federal Credit Union in 2007. Boy howdy, she loved to shop! She loved gardening, dancing and music; she had the biggest crush on Elvis. She made it to Graceland in 2009 and sang "Happy Birthday" at the gates of Graceland at midnight, like every fan dreams of doing.

She spent the majority of the past 30 years married to Mel Tweet, retired city of Kalispell fireman, living north of Kalispell. With this union her family grew, sharing deep-seeded bonds with the Tweet children, other relatives in Butte and Spokane and many friends. Cheryl and her husband were involved in hot rod car clubs in

Kalispell, most recently "The Outlaws," and she could be seen shining up her husband's bright yellow, cropped Dodge pickup with a Tweety on the tailgate.

She was diagnosed with breast cancer in 2009, and after the passing of her husband in 2014, she spent much of her time in Portland, Oregon, with her daughter. Cancer has taken her too early; however, she would say that her journey with cancer broadened her faith, love and trust of Jesus. All her family will surely miss her, but the angels are rejoicing at her arrival back to our real home!

She was preceded in death by her sister, Marsha Rames; father, Dwight Rames; mother, Eleanor Rames; brother, Douglas Rames; and husband, Melvin Tweet.

She is survived by her daughter, Angie Satter, of Portland; brother, Marlowe Rames and wife Michelle, of Great Falls;

sister-in-law, Audrey Rames, of Greeley, Colorado; step-children, Marty Tweet, Mark Tweet, both of Kalispell, Mike Tweet, of Salt Lake City, Utah, and Jackie Linstead of North Dakota; as well as many grandchildren and nieces and nephews from combined families.

A viewing will be from 3 to 5 p.m. Friday, July 8, at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home. Funeral services will be held 11 a.m., Saturday, July 9 at Trinity Lutheran Church, Kalispell. A future memorial service with inurnment held in Scotland, South Dakota, spring or summer of 2017.

In lieu of flowers, please donate to Cancer Support Community, 37 West Washington St., Kalispell, MT 59901.

To send a note of condolence to the family, please visit www.buffalohillfh.com.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

John H. Twohig, 69

John H. Twohig, 69, died Sept. 9, 2016, in Kalispell.

There are no services

planned at this time.

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

Died Oct 9, 2016

Donna Mae Tyree, 85

Donna Mae Martin was born in Polson to Owen and Bessie Martin on May 10, 1931. The baby in the family of five children, she was preceded in death by both parents and her brothers Owen, Giff and Lee Martin and her sister Helen Taylor. She was also preceded in death by grandchildren, Jason and Amber McAtee, Joshua Martin Tyree, and great-grandchildren Ava McDonald and Joshua Scott Tyree.

After the divorce of her parents, Donna moved to Kalispell with her mother. Donna's claim to fame was that she was a Flathead High School varsity cheerleader as a freshman in high school. She met many friends during her school years and carried many of those friendships throughout her lifetime.

At the age of 16, Donna



was married to a Welsh immigrant and had two sons, Daniel and Darrin. When

Darrin was a baby, the marriage ended in divorce. She worked as a waitress at the Highland Restaurant in West Glacier to support herself and her two young boys. It was there that she caught the eye of a handsome Dick Tyree, who was to become the love of her life. They were married in July 1952. Dick adopted Dan and Darrin and five more children were born.

The family lived in West Glacier until the flood of 1964 destroyed the family home. Dick and Donna moved the family to Kalispell where they lived on the west side for 50 years. Dick

is now a resident of Heritage Place nursing home suffering from advanced dementia and Alzheimer's.

Donna's legacy was her own life witness. Accepting Jesus Christ at an early age, she raised all of her children in a Christian home, and with the knowledge that we will see her again in heaven. Donna's hospitality and love was felt by all who would visit, where they were treated to her epic Danish pastries and cinnamon rolls a vivid standout. Donna has always been active in every church she attended and for the past 25 years she was a member of The Christian Center, now Canvas Church, which she dearly loved.

Donna is survived by sons Dan and Leann Tyree, Darrin and Helen

Tyree, Don and Bambi Tyree, Dick and Shelly Tyree, Derek and Sue Tyree and by daughters Donita Hebert, husband Jerry and Deanna Tyree McAtee. Donna has 23 grandchildren, 34 great-grandchildren and 4 great grandchil-dren, another on the way next month and a large extended family who dearly loved her.

Special thanks to Kalispell Regional Hospital, Hospice, Brendan House and Prestige Assisted Living facility staff who took special care of this beautiful lady.

Services for Donna will be at 4 p.m. on Oct. 21, with a dinner reception and fellowship following immediately afterward at Canvas Church, 255 Summit Ridge Drive, Kalispell.

James Richard 'Dick' Tyree, 84

James Richard "Dick" Tyree, 84, of Kalispell, died Oct. 25, 2016, in Kalispell.



Dick is survived by his children, Daniel Tyree, Darrin Tyree, Donita Hebert, Donald Tyree, Deanna McAtee, Richard S. Tyree Jr. and Derek Tyree.

He was predeceased by



his wife, Donna.

There will be a graveside service at 2 p.m. Friday, Oct. 28,

at Glacier Memorial Gardens, followed by a celebration dinner at the Hampton Inn at 3:15 p.m. Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for the Tyree family.

Jean Brooner Tyler, 89

Jean Brooner Tyler, 89, passed away Sunday morning, Dec. 11, 2016, in Salt Lake City.

Jean was born Jan. 26, 1927, to Ernest D. and Mabel (Jewell) Brooner. She was raised in Kalispell where she was involved in many different school and church activities, including an a cappella trio called upon regularly to entertain community groups.

She graduated with honors from Flathead County High School in 1945, the year World War II ended.

Fiercely independent, she pursued many paths that few single women chose at the time. Jean attended the University of Montana and Brigham Young University. Jean



received an associate's degree from the New York School of Interior Design. As a young adult she relocated to Utah, where she worked for Zion's Cooperative Mercantile Institution (ZCMD) and Holiday House before establishing her own interior design and drapery business. Jean ran for the Utah State Legislature, served as director of a fashion and merchandising school, and worked in television and radio advertisements. She also worked for many years at Little America in Salt Lake City. Later

in life, she returned to the University of Utah and earned a Bachelor of Science in Sociology degree.

Jean is survived by her son, Paul D. Tyler, of New York, his wife Linda, their two daughters, Katie and Julia; and sister-in-law, Carlene Brooner, of Kalispell.

Jean was a loving, devoted daughter, mother

and grandmother. Her many nieces and nephews scattered across the country remember her as "a real lady," always gentle and kind, and were inspired by her independence, grace and beauty. Jean was preceded in death by her parents, sister Jewell (Brooner) Shannon, and brother Ernest G. Brooner.