

Harold 'Walky' Wachsmuth, 89

Harold "Walky" Wachsmuth, 89, beloved husband, father, brother, grandfather, great- and great-great-grandfather, passed away May 23, 2016, at Beehive Homes of Kalispell. He was a great friend to many and "has gone home to be with our Lord Jesus Christ."

Harold was born March 14, 1927, to William and Anna Wachsmuth. He helped his dad in the family business repairing tractors, trucks and cars. During his Flathead High School years, Harold worked at Gregg's Dairy, Buffalo Hill Golf Course and relatives' farms in the Lower Valley. He had fond memories of riding his bike to McMillan Farm to harvest raspberries and strawberries.

Harold enlisted in the U.S. Navy in 1945 and was given an honorable medical discharge.

In 1949 Harold worked on the Hungry Horse Dam and later worked for Engebretson Gravel and McElroy and Wilkens. He retired in 1992 after 40 years.

One of Harold's greatest passions was the Evergreen Volunteer Fire Department, where he was the last surviving original founding, charter member. After 30 years of dedicated service to his community, Harold retired in 1982. He was a member of the Northwest Antique Power Association and enjoyed exhibiting his extensive collection of grinding wheels and other collections. He was an avid



collector of Hot Wheels, toy tractors and firetrucks that would amaze kids.

In 1950

Harold married Alice Helen Taylor and had three daughters, Vickie (Bob) Blake, Debbie (Greg) Kirkman and Rhonda (Lyle) Newman, seven grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren and one great-great-granddaughter.

In 1996 Harold he remarried to Leone Foster. Leone has four children, Ron Foster, Karen (Mike) Cochran, Steve (Jeanne) Foster, Dave (Julie) Foster, 10 grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

Harold was preceded in death by his first wife, Alice, his parents, and brother, Dan.

He is survived by brother, Ronnie, of Plains, and wife, Leone.

A public viewing will be 9 to 11 a.m. at Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home with graveside service at 1 p.m. on Friday, June 3, at Conrad Memorial Cemetery. A procession led by an Evergreen Volunteer Fire Department truck will leave Johnson-Gloschat at 12:30 pm. Reception will follow the service at the Eagles Club.

If you wish to make a gift, please consider the Evergreen Volunteer Fire Department, 2236 U.S. 2 East, Kalispell, MT 59901.

Janessa Jaimes Wagar, 23

"A limb has fallen from our family tree."

Janessa Jaimes Wagar, 23, "was granted her angel wings" on March 11, 2016. As she walked into her heavenly journey, her family and friends stood close by, comforting her and giving her the strength and courage to begin her new journey.

Janessa was born Aug. 29, 1992, in Whitefish. Janessa had a very special and unbreakable bond with her three siblings and four beautiful children that will continue to live on to honor her name.

Janessa is survived by her parents, James Wagar and Carolynn Dutton; her sisters, Jessica and Samantha; her brother, Colton; and her children, Kaeden, 7, Kinnley, 3 1/2, Keylan, 2 1/2, and Kaiya, 7 months.

Janessa touched the lives of many people with her presence and contagious smile that she will



be forever remembered for.

Please join us in celebrating Janessa's wonderful spirit and

enthusiastic personality at 1 p.m. on May 7, at the Wagar homestead, 230 Gopher Lane, Marion. A potluck reception will immediately follow the memorial service.

In lieu of flowers, donations are being accepted to help care for the four children. There has been an account set up at Wells Fargo in the name of Kaeden James Wagar, or gift cards are also a good way to help with their growing needs.

Words cannot express how grateful our family is for all the prayers and concerns during this most difficult time. It is deeply appreciated and will always be remembered. — The family of Janessa Wagar.

Patricia Ann Wagner, 77

Patricia Ann Wagner, 77, died Sunday, Feb. 21, 2016 at Lake View Care

Center in Bigfork. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family

Jean Jackson Wakefield, 81

Jean Jackson Wakefield, author of "Where the Green Grass Grows: History of Pleasant Valley & Lost Prairie, Montana," passed away on Feb. 15, 2016, from complications of Alzheimer's. She was 81.

Jean was born in Kalispell on Feb. 26, 1934, to Kenneth and Elizabeth Jackson. She grew up on a ranch in Pleasant Valley. Jean was the only pupil to attend the one-room Pleasant Valley School for eight years during the '40s. She graduated from Flathead County High School in 1952. Four years later she graduated from the University of Montana with a Bachelor's in Education degree.

Jean taught one year in Lewistown and four more years in Paxon School and Washington School in Missoula.

Jean married smoke-



jumper Sam Wakefield in 1960.

Jean was a stay-at-home mom with one son.

Sam's federal government work prompted family moves to Portland, Denver and Seattle. Jean and Sam spent their retirement traveling and spending time at their cabin south of Lakeside.

Jean self-published "Where the Green Grass Grows" in 1998. The book is no longer in print.

Jean was preceded in death by her husband Sam.

She is survived by her son Stuart.

A celebration of life memorial service is in planning for this summer in Kalispell. The date and time is to be determined.

MEMORIALS

Jean Jackson Wakefield and Sam Wakefield

A memorial service for Jean Jackson Wakefield, 81, who died Feb. 15, and Sam Wakefield, 84, who died

Feb. 8, 2013, will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, July 9, at First Presbyterian Church, 540 S. Main St., Kalispell.

Lorraine J. Walhus, 88

Lorraine J. Walhus, 88, of Kalispell, died Feb. 10, 2016, in Kalispell.

A memorial service will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 18, at Stillwater Free

Lutheran Church, 1401 Church Drive, Kalispell.

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

John 'Jack' Walker, M.D., 87

The memorial service for John "Jack" Walker has been changed to 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 29, at First Presbyterian Church, 540 S. Main, Kalispell, 406-752-7488. The visitation remains the same and will be from 5 to 7 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 28, at Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home and Crematory. A rosary will also be said, at 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 27, at First Presbyterian Church.

Dr. "Jack" Walker passed away peacefully at Heritage Place in Kalispell on Oct. 8, 2016. He maintained his ever-optimistic attitude and integrity until his final moments.

Born in Kansas City, Missouri, on Feb. 11, 1929, he was immediately adopted by Gladys and John S. Walker and raised near Lake of the Ozarks.

During his childhood and prior to attending college, Jack worked as an apprentice in the electrical department at Bagnell Dam on Lake of the Ozarks. He was captain of the mosquito control on 1,500 feet of shoreline. Also on the lake he worked for "A Mile a Minute" race boat many times, commenting that this was by far his absolute favorite job.

He was a child musical prodigy, winning many classical piano competitions. But his first love was playing the cornet at the Jefferson Club in Jefferson City, Missouri, in a jazz and forties band during his high school years and college.

Jack graduated from the University of Missouri in Columbia in 1950 with a degree in geology. Soon thereafter, he was employed by Conoco Oil for five years, after which he decided to follow his doctor grandfathers' footsteps. He graduated from the University of Kansas Medical School and set up practice as a general practitioner with lots of ER work in Jackson Hole, Wyoming, from 1960-77.

He relocated to Homer, Alaska, for a short time, and after this move he dedicated his career to ER medicine with a three-year stint in Tucson, Arizona. His final move was to Montana in 1982, working for four years in Great Falls before coming to Kalispell Regional Hospital, where he was for nine years.

After retiring in 1995, Jack traveled Montana and Washington as a locum tenens physician in Helena, Missoula, Ronan, Polson, Browning, Libby and Spokane from 1995 to 2004, his second retirement.

He gained great respect for medicine throughout 44 years of practicing, which drove his passion. He treasured the numerous friendships he developed through caring for his patients and co-workers.

In all Jack was a renaissance man, an accomplished photographer, author, musician,



opera buff, outdoorsman, mountain climber and pilot, carrying an incredible history of adventure with a love of medicine, nature, music, reading, studying, storytelling, deep friendships, community service, comedy, handwriting analysis, philosophy, gourmet food and wine, sports, karate, boating, golfing, basketball, soaring, hunting, wood chopping, live rattlesnake hunting, poker, social drinking and women!

The qualities that distinguished him as a person were patience, calmness, loving, perceptiveness, intelligence, tenacity, humor and wit.

In addition, Jack was a dedicated son, husband and grandfather. He had immeasurable love and pride for his three children and four grandchildren. Many of his children's friends commented that he was part of their favorite childhood and adult memories.

Not only was he supportive and attentive in his quiet and gentle manner, he also had a way of bringing a smile to any circumstance.

Jack was preceded in death by his parents Gladys and John Walker, his beloved sister-in-law Carmen Gress, his sons' mother, Elizabeth Auld, and his favorite elder cousin, Margaret Rose Foote.

He is survived by his wife of 35 years, Arlene Zepeda de Walker; his sons, D.J. Walker and wife Candi of Kalispell, Ben Walker and wife Jennifer Cronin of Whitefish; daughters, Pilar Walker of Portland, Oregon, and Annie Schlosser of Seattle, Washington; four grandchildren, Taggart, Peyton, Jackson and Robert; and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to First Presbyterian Church's JuJu ministry for homeless youth whose connection is skateboarding.

John 'Jack' Richard Walker M.D., 87

Doc's Autobiography
(from his book
"Roadside Photography
Guide to Glacier National
Park," published in 2005)

I was born on February 11, 1929, in Kansas City and adopted and raised in Eldon, a rural community near the Lake of the Ozarks in southern Missouri. The reservoir that was created in 1931 when the Osage River was dammed was a beautiful place that nurtured in me a lifelong love of the outdoors. When I was 6, a family trip to Estes Park in the Colorado Rocky Mountains kindled in me an intense infatuation with mountains. This led to an undergraduate degree in (what else?) geology. But instead of ending up in the mountains, my first job with Conoco Oil landed me a

five-year stint that took me from the deserts of west Texas to the bayous of Louisiana. When I was about to be sent to Saudi Arabia, I quit; I was determined to live in the mountains and to be my own boss.

Following in the footsteps of my grandfather, who was a textbook example of an old country doctor, I decided to get a degree in medicine. After I received my medical degree from the University of Kansas in 1960 and completed a one-year internship, I moved to Jackson Hole, Wyoming, in the splendid Teton Mountains. I spent the next 17 years climbing and hiking these mountains — including the fourth winter ascent of the Grand Teton — which only intensified my awe for the mountains' magnificence. In the small-town atmosphere of the good old days in Jackson Hole, I was a county commissioner, board member of the Jackson Hole Airport Authority, part-time bouncer at the Cowboy Bar, a camera store proprietor, and a team member of the Teton National Park Rescue Squad, as well as a full-time family physician.

Answering the ever-present call of the mountains, I moved to Montana, where I did emergency room work first in Great Falls, Helena, and then Kalispell. Soon after, my children followed — Dave (D.J.), Ben, and Pilar. This brought me close to one of the most beautiful spots in the nation: Glacier National Park. I was inspired further by an extensive photography workshop organized by Missoula's Rocky Mountain School of Photography with the renowned Galen Rowell, the greatest outdoor photographer of our time. The memories of that inspirational week in Glacier Park with Rowell will last the rest of my life. Without it, "Roadside Photography Guide to Glacier National Park" would have been unlikely.

Photographing mountains is tricky. You must always keep in mind a proper perspective of the elements of the scene. You also have to anticipate the light and its relationship to the mountains. This dictates where you need to be and what time of day you need to be there. To photograph the early morning beauty on the east side of Glacier National Park, I worked night shifts in the emergency room in Browning, Montana, so I could get into the park at the crack of dawn. The results are some of my best photographs so far. I've sold many of these prints, and some of these photographs can also be seen at my gallery, Doc Walker's Photo Gallery, in downtown Kalispell.

Mountains inspire me. As a geologist and a mountain climber, I feel drawn to explore them.

Yet, about the time I was retiring from my career in emergency medicine, I was no longer able to make the highest and most difficult ascents. Photography, I have found, provides me with a sense of intimacy with the mountains. It is a way I can explore their intricacies and moods, which change constantly with the vagaries of the light. With my photos, I have recorded these splendors to the best of my ability in order to convey them to others.

It was mountains, too, that — thirty-one years ago — brought me to my wonderful wife and companion, Arlene Zepeda de Walker. When I lived in Jackson Hole, I ran across a beautiful tourist whom I eventually convinced to marry me. Because of Arlene's foresight, effort, and generosity, I have been able to make photographic forays to mountains around the world, ranging from the U.S. to Scandinavia, the European Alps to New Zealand's Fox Glacier, from Alaska's Kenai Peninsula to Tierra del Fuego in Patagonia, South America, plus Canada, Mexico, Hawaii and the Caribbean.

It is to her I dedicate "Roadside Photography Guide to Glacier National Park."

— Dr. Jack Walker

MEMORIAL SERVICE

John 'Jack' Walker

The memorial service for John "Jack" Walker, M.D., 87, who died Oct. 8 will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 29, at First Presbyterian Church, 540 S. Main St., Kalispell; 752-7488. Visitation will be from

5 to 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 28, at Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home and Crematory. A rosary will be said at 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 27, at First Presbyterian Church. A luncheon will follow at the church.

Norma (Kliwer) Wallace, 95

"The world lost quite a remarkable woman today — we will miss you so, Grandma Norma Wallace — 95 amazing years, too many adventures to detail here, smart, funny and engaging always. What a blessing that you were in no pain and remembered more than I do at less than half your age. So much love and thanks to a grand lady of our family!" — by Amy Wallace Potter

"The world lost one of my favorite people today. My grandma, Norma, was just one kind, fun, quick-witted lady. She had just turned 95. Some of my fondest childhood memories are with her and Gramps up in Lakeside. Always lots of games and the best homemade mac 'n cheese, spaghetti and meatballs, and apple pie! Grandma was all about the grandkids and the great-grandkids. She will be greatly missed! Love you, Grandma!" — by Lisa Wallace Pintok

In Norma's own words: "I was born in Newton, Kansas, on July 24, 1921, to Christian Kliwer and Arpa Schmidt (the year of the big flood on the Arkansas River at Great Bend, near where we lived in a small, two-room house in the town of Dundee.) My sister Melba was 3 years old. Grandparents Schmidt lived about three miles away. I grew up with Aunt Effie and Uncle Johnnie (Junior) who were seven and five years older. My Uncle Antone and Aunt Mayme lived nearby also and their son Gene (one year younger) and his younger sister, Lois, were also companions. I was the second child. My sister Melba



Homer, who was four years Merle's junior, had a lot to put up with (but he didn't turn out too bad).

"I attended country school for three years, then we moved to Newton and I went to 'town school,' then back to Pawnee Rock, near Great Bend and Dundee and after several years in country school it was decided we should all go to town because Melba was ready for high school. When she was ready for college we moved again to Newton so she could go to Bethel College. I graduated from Newton High and later attended Bethel College for two years. While we lived in Pawnee Rock we lived in the old stone house my great-grandparents built when they came to this country. (Mennonites from Volhynia, South Russia, in 1874) The house was lived in by members of the Schmidt family until the 1990s.

"While we lived in Newton, my sister Melba died at the age of 21 from a rare heart infection that is now treatable with antibiotics. My dad died just two years later of cancer. My mother then decided to move the family to Tulsa, Oklahoma. There I worked for an oil speculator and then for Douglas Aircraft. This was during World War II. I met Lt. Lew Wallace and just five months later we were married

in Tampa, Florida. Lew was sent to England, shot down on his second mission over Germany in September 1944. He then spent nine months as a prisoner of war. Jim was 4 months old when Lew returned. We lived briefly in the Castle in Spokane (where Christi was born) and then moved to Corvallis, Oregon, where Lew attended Oregon State University (Steve was born here). We spent a year in Honolulu and then returned to OSU for graduate school. Lew worked for the state of Oregon at Milton-Freewater, then in 1955 came to Montana (where Lew worked for USDA), spent two years in Nigeria (1975-1976), where Lew worked as an entomology researcher on cereal insects for the USAID, and later retired to Lakeside."

Lew died at Lakeside in 2006 and Norma died on Aug. 29, 2016, in Bozeman at Highgate Senior Living.

Survivors include sister Merle Schwendimann; children Jim (Liz) Wallace, Christi Wallace Small, and Steve (Rachael) Wallace; and grandchildren, Jim (Jeana) Small, Amy (Jeff) Wallace Potter, and Lisa (Jake) Wallace Pintok.

Her ashes will be spread at Whistler's Hill in Lakeside in the spring.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Norma's honor to the Montana Veterans Affairs Division at P.O. Box 5715, Helena, MT 59604-5715; or Bozeman Chapter Montana Association for the Blind at P.O. Box 6797, Bozeman, MT 59771.

Condolences and memories may be shared with the family at www.dahl-cares.com.

James Wallack, 87

James Wallack, 87, died Thursday, Aug. 4, 2016, at Timber Creek assisted living in Columbia Falls.

He is survived by his wife, Wava Wallack; and children, Melody Cliffe,

Crystal Mastroianni, Jim Wallack, Greg Wallack and Wanda Leifheit.

Private family services will be held.

Columbia Mortuary is caring for the family.

Clarissa 'Kissy' Waller, 85

Clarissa "Kissy" Waller quietly passed away on the evening of July 1, 2016.

Born into a farming community June 26, 1931, in Clemons, Iowa, she was the daughter of Richard and Winnifred Easton. At the age of seventeen, she married Lawrence Oberholtzer, and together they had four children. She was widowed at a young age. Later she married Kenneth Waller and had one son.

Kissy loved music. She playing piano well and was a gifted soloist, singing regularly at many of the churches she attended over the years. She was a talented quilter and was known for teaching her skills to those wanting to learn. She was fascinated with family genealogy, traveling across the country and world to learn more about her roots.

She was a dedicated mother. After raising five children, she became a substance abuse coun-



selor. She shared her love and patience with the youth of Montana at Wildness Treatment

Center in Marion, Frances Mahon CDC Clinic in Glasgow, and Rocky Mountain Treatment Center in Great Falls. She often commented that her favorite clients were her teens.

Kissy leaves behind her daughter Johanna Christine Jett of Anchorage, Alaska, and her two sons Lawrence Roger Oberholtzer Jr. of Lake Stevens, Washington, and John Waller of Marion.

She had many friends and relatives with whom she shared her love and her life.

Private services will be held at Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Valesca Louise Wallner, 98

Valesca Wallner died just short of her 99th birthday on June 30, 2016, at The Springs in Whitefish.

She was born in 1917 in Loganville, Wisconsin, to Ernest and Dorthea (Hennings) Riggert. She later moved to Reedsburg, where she attended grade school and high school. In 1939 she received a bachelor's of science degree in education from the University of Wisconsin at Madison. After graduating she lived and worked in Madison for the State Medical Society.

In April of 1944 she married Alfred Wallner. While Alfred was in the Medical Corp of the U.S. Air Force during World War II, she lived in Van Nuys, California. After his discharge Alfred served a surgical residency, during which they lived in both Van Nuys and Long Beach, California. They finally moved to Kalispell in 1953, and she lived here until she moved to The Springs in 2013.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband and her daughter Libby.

She is survived by two daughters, Anita and

husband David Garten of Houston, Texas, and Kristin McIntyre of Kalispell; and two sons, Fred and wife Mary Kay of Kalispell and Richard of Vancouver, British Columbia, as well as five grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

Valesca outlived most all her old friends but made new ones up at The Springs, most notably her dear friends Jo and Vivian, along with the ladies of her bridge group and most recently Joan. Her body gave out the last few years, but her mind was sharp until the end. She will be dearly missed.

At her request there will be no services. Cremation has taken place, and her ashes will be scattered during a private family gathering.

The family would like to express special thanks to the loving and caring staff at The Springs in Whitefish. They took such good care of our Mom during her three-year stay and especially during the last few difficult weeks. The caregivers there are absolute angels.

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

Clifton L. Walls, 94

Our loving dad, Clifton L. Walls, 94, passed away on Oct. 5, 2016, in Worland, Wyoming. He was devoted to his family all of his life.

He was born on Feb. 21, 1922, in Hollis, Oklahoma. As an infant he moved with his family to the panhandle of Texas in a horse-drawn wagon. The family worked for various farms around Plainview, Texas. Clifton started picking cotton in the fields as a 5-year-old boy. Times were hard then, and he worked part of the year and attended school when he could, but he eventually dropped out after completing the sixth grade.

At age 16 he was working on his own, but still supported his family financially. Dad joined the U. S. Army in 1942 and served in Europe, where he was awarded a Purple Heart.

Following his discharge in 1945 he returned to Plainview and took work where he could find it.

He married Betty G. Eakin in Plainview on Aug. 26, 1951, and the couple moved to the Los Angeles area in late 1952 where he went to work as a truck driver and found his way into the plastics extrusion industry. He eventually became a plant manager in the plastics business, retiring in 1985.

Dad then moved to the Essex, Montana area to help his daughter and son-in-law run a café. In 1999 he moved to Worland to live with his daughter, Joyce Brill.

He loved tinkering with anything that was broken or needed repairs. He enjoyed going to California in the winter to help one of his broth-



ers work on cars, and to visit with relatives. In his spare time he loved to read and to watch football games and baseball games. When he

was in Worland, our dad liked to help around the house with the chores. He attended Zion Lutheran Church.

Dad was preceded in death by his parents, and by three brothers and one sister.

He is survived by his children Randy (Jeannette) Walls of Chino, California, Joyce (Richard Sr.) Brill of Worland, and Myrna (Ron) Sullens of Columbia Falls; 10 grandchildren, 28 great-grandchildren and one great-great grandchild. Also surviving are his brother, Alton Lee Walls of Amarillo, Texas; and a half brother, Billy Joe White, of Dallas.

The funeral for our dad will be held at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 12, at Zion Lutheran Church with his son, Pastor Randy Walls, officiating. Burial will follow at Riverview Cemetery in Worland with military graveside honors. The casket will be open at the funeral home on Tuesday from 4 to 6 p.m., and closed at the church on Wednesday.

Memorials may be made to Z.E.S.T. Fund in care of Zion Lutheran Church, P.O. Box 376, Worland, WY 82401-0376.

Veile Mortuary is in charge of the funeral arrangements.

Amy Nicole Ward, 38

Amy Nicole Ward, 38, died July 16, 2016, in Kalispell.

Amy is survived by her mother, Jeanni Ward, sons Farley Gendreau and Rylee Gendreau, and her

daughter, Kassi Ward-Gendreau.

Services are pending. Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home of Kalispell is caring for the family.

Nicki Ward, 38

On July 16, 2016, we lost Nicki Ward, 38, in an auto accident.

Nicki was born Jan. 24, 1978, to Farley and Jeanni Pound Ward in Richlands, Virginia.

Nicki was preceded in death by her dad Farley, paternal grandparents Sidney and Edna Smith Ward, her uncle, Garman Ward, and maternal grandparents Gene and Delores Fontaine Pound.

Nicki was born and attended school in Grundy, Virginia, graduating in 1996, and shortly after moved to Montana with her family.

Nicki met and later married Christopher Gendreau, and together they had three beautiful children, Kassandra "Kassi," Farley and Rylee. Nicki attended Flathead Valley Community College and Crevier's Academy, graduating from Crevier's in 2014. She was currently working at Sport Clips in Kalispell, where she loved her customers and co-workers. She had many stories that she would tell.

Nicki recently met someone who made her very happy. Nicki loved camping and fishing, as long as someone else would put the worm on the hook. She enjoyed going to the lake with family and friends. Nicki also enjoyed bowling. Nicki had a larger than



life personality — you could always hear her laughing before she entered a room. She

will be missed by many.

Nicki is survived by her children, Kassi, Farley and Rylee; her mom, Jeanni Ward; brother Chris Ward; and her sister and best friend Kyla Sexton (Steven); aunts, Josephine and Bonnie Lou Ward, uncle, Ted (Betty) Ward, aunt, Doris Ward, all of Grundy; aunt, Louise Keller and Lonnie Keller of Kalispell; aunt, Rusty (Jerry) Gibbs of Missoula; uncle, Mike (Lynette) Pound of Somers; uncle, Jimmy Pound; in-laws Larry and Susan Gendreau and family; and many nieces, nephews and cousins. She also leaves behind her beloved dog Jasmine "Pig."

In lieu of flowers, there is a memorial fund set up for her children at Valley Bank under the name of "We love Nicki."

Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, July 30, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (Mormon) on Whitefish Stage, with luncheon to follow.

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

Mariann Ward, 77

Marianna Ward, 77, of Kalispell died Aug. 18, 2016 at her home. Cremation will take place with a graveside niche

placement at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for the family.

Mary Jo Ward, 75

Recently, a great woman, "was taken into the arms of the good Lord, to join loved ones of her past." Mary Jo Ward's time on this Earth ended on Feb. 8, 2016, when she passed away from natural causes.

Mary Jo was born on Dec. 26, 1940, in Stillwater, Minnesota, to Roy and Margaret Dietz. The family continued to reside there, where she graduated from Stillwater High School. She remained briefly until she relocated to the Flathead Valley, first to Whitefish, then to Kalispell in 1967. She worked for the local phone company, then operated by Northwest Telephone Systems.

In 1980, she and her future husband, Bill Ward, transferred with the company to Gig Harbor, Washington. When Bill retired, she soon took retirement as well, leaving as the service center manager for Telephone Utilities, Inc. In 1995.

Upon retirement, they embarked on an adventure they both shared. They sold their residence in Gig Harbor, purchased a travel trailer, and set out to visit all of then Continental 48 states. In time, they decided to take residence in Yuma, Arizona. While they appreciated the warm, dry climate, the call of home was too strong. By 1997, they acquired a piece of property, and



built their new home in Woods Bay. Bill passed away in 2008, and Mary Jo remained

in the home that they built, until her day of passing.

Mary Jo should be remembered as an extremely compassionate woman. Throughout her life, she was a selfless individual, never putting herself first. Even in her modest existence, she was a charitable woman, donating beyond her share to causes she believed in, namely the Wounded Warriors Project and the Bigfork Food Bank.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Roy and Margaret Dietz; the love of her life, husband Bill Ward; and son Willie.

She is survived by her sisters, Margaret Ann and Richard Tscida, and Deborah and Garrett Conover; Willie's wife, Yvonne; children, Terry, Shawn, Cathy, Mary, Michael, Mark and Robert; 11 grandchildren, and 13 great-grandchildren.

A celebration of life will be held at the family home on Saturday, Feb. 27. Consistent with her wishes, the family will hold a ceremony of the scattering of her ashes along with Bill's later this summer.

Yvonne Joy Ward, 61

Yvonne Joy Ward, 61, was born in Kalispell on Nov. 18, 1954, to Raymond and Doris Ingram, and passed away on June 5, 2016, in Bigfork.

Yvonne was raised and attended grade school in Swan Lake. When Yvonne was younger she liked to ride horses and spend time at the lake. She then attended Bigfork High School and graduated in 1972 where she met her future husband, William Ward.

Yvonne made lifelong friends with a close-knit group of friends that would be her support when she moved back to Bigfork. She enjoyed getting together to play card games or going out to dinner with the girls. Soon after she was married, she and William began to move around the United States for his job, and finally settled in the state of Washington with their children, Jenn, Lindsay and Patrick.

Yvonne loved to read and spend her summers at the lake with family and friends. She was a beloved wife, mother, 'Nana' and friend. Yvonne's favorite thing was to spend time with her grandchildren and her mom.

Yvonne was preceded by her husband William Ward in 2013, and her father Raymond Ingram in 2014.

Yvonne is survived by her mom, Doris Ingram, of Bigfork; her sister, Elaine Ingram, of Kalispell; brothers, Les Ingram of Bigfork, and Doug Ingram of Ogden, Utah; children, Jenn Ward of Vancouver, Washington, Lindsay Derby of Brush Prairie, Washington, and Patrick Ward of Bigfork; and grandchildren, Holland and Marshall Derby of Brush Prairie, and Trey Taylor of Vancouver.

Her celebration of life will be held at 4 p.m. June 18 at her home, 11360 Highway 83, Bigfork.

Evelyn A. Warren, 90

Evelyn A. Warren, 90, "went home to her loving Father" on March 7, 2016, after battles that old age brings.

She was born on Jan. 11, 1926, in Great Falls to Arthur and Helen McHugh, their only child.

After her mother's death when she was 6, she attended boarding school at the Ursuline Academy, just blocks from her grandparents and 11 uncles and aunts. Her father visited her every weekend, although she missed her mother greatly. She spoke glowingly of her academy days with the nuns whom she loved dearly. She attended Holy Names College in Great Falls, graduating with a degree in English.

She was very independent and had an enormous zest for life; she learned how to pilot a plane and was interested in everything exciting, especially the man she married. She met Edward M. Warren while working as a social worker at Medical Lake, Washington, where she conducted him and a friend on a tour and immediately regarded him as "trouble." So she married him in 1949 and wasted no time in starting a family in Spokane. They had six children; she wanted eight but set-



tled for six.

Evelyn worked as a librarian in Spokane before the family moved to Kalispell

where she worked for many years as a social worker. After Edward's death in 2007, she stayed in Montana with the help of son Tim, then, as planned, moved to Wheatland Village in Walla Walla, Washington, where she made many new friends and enjoyed many activities, but especially arts and crafts and, her favorite with the assistance of good friend Elsie, gardening. Her family nickname was "Molly the Mulcher."

Evelyn is survived by daughters Kathryn Amende of Marysville, Washington, and Janice Warren of Spokane; sons Timothy Warren of Spokane, Joseph Warren of Tillamook, Oregon, and Robert Warren (Albert Marshall) of Walla Walla; six grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

She was predeceased by her husband, a son, Ned Warren, and grandsons Adam Carlberg and Noah Moore.

Funeral arrangements are pending.

Joan C. Warren, 95

Joan C. Warren passed away at home in Lakeside on Monday, Nov. 14, 2016. ~~Joan was born the day after Christmas 1920 in Williston, North Dakota, to John and Pauline Husebye.~~ Bissonnette of Lakeside, Pamela Bissonnette and her husband Tom Dean of Plains, and Jackie Bissonnette of Kalispell; her brother, Paul Husebye (Charleen); grandchildren, Tim (Karyn) Lane of Bremerton, Washington, Diana (Andy) Stevens of Auckland, New Zealand, Kerry (Ray) Zabel of Missoula, Gina (Mike) Sisson of San Diego, Terri (Esbon) Griffin of Hubbard, Oregon, Christine (Ted) Stonecliffe of Portland, Jeff Pejuan of Bigfork, and Fanya (Patrick) Randall of Austin, Texas; 15 great-grandchildren, one great-great-grandchild, cousin-in-law, Virginia Larson, of Kalispell; several nieces and a nephew.

Joan was born the day after Christmas 1920 in Williston, North Dakota, to John and Pauline Husebye. She married Charles M. Bissonnette in 1941 and together they raised five children and managed a successful farming and cattle business near Crosby, North Dakota.

After the death of her loved husband of 25 years, she moved to Lakeside in 1968 and purchased her dream home on the shores of Flathead Lake. In 1973, she married Royer G Warren, a retired Marine major/ and participated in his tree farming and home building ventures. She spent some 28 very happy years with Royer until his death in 2001.

She cherished her home, family and many friends and loved swimming, boating and caring for her yard and garden.

Joan is survived by her five children, Kathleen Bissonnette of Portland, Diana J. Pejuan of Bigfork, Charles

Joan was preceded in death by her sister Helen Gaudreau, brother John Husebye, and granddaughter Dina Pejuan.

At her request, there will be no public service.

If desired, donations may be made to the Lakeside QRU, 125 Bills Road, Lakeside, MT 59922; or to a charity of one's choice.

Joan Warren, 95

Joan Warren, 95, of Lakeside, died Nov. 14, 2016, in Lakeside.

She is survived by her children, Kathleen Bissonnette, Diana J. Pejuan, Charles J. Bissonnette, Pamela

J. Bissonnette and Jacqueline Bissonnette. No services are being held at this time.

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

RUTH MARIE SHIRLEY WATTERUD

Ruth Marie Shirley Watterud, born Dec. 28, 1921 in Stidham, Oklahoma, passed away on Monday, Oct. 3, 2016 surrounded by her family at her home in Whitefish.

The fourth oldest of 12 children of Bertie Loranzo Dow Shirley and Emley Missouri Hyde Shirley, she grew up in Oklahoma and was proud of her heritage.

She eventually moved to Las Vegas, Nevada, for work and there met the love of her life, Rudolph Wilhelm Watterud (Rudy). They were married in 1946 and eventually found their way to Whitefish, where Ruth has lived since 1948.

Together with her son Bernie, they built a two-room house where they lived while they completed the construction of their home in Whitefish.

Ruth was an active member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. She loved quilting and making homemade bread from scratch. She wasn't able to garden for many years, but loved to watch her deer that would bed down nightly in the garden area. She was also very politically conservative and didn't hesitate to contact her state and local representatives to give them advice.



Ruth was preceded in death by her husband Rudy, nine of her siblings, her parents, and three children; Betty Watterud St John, Myrna Watterud Ash and Bernie Esker Garrett (Pat Watterud). She is survived by two siblings, Lois Shirley Adams (Oklahoma) and Joe Shirley (Louisiana); three children, William Watterud (Bill), Mr. and Mrs. Shirl Morrill (Debbie), and Mr. and Mrs. Gary Watterud (Sandee); 18 grandchildren, 30 great-grandchildren, and 12 great-great-grandchildren.

There will be a viewing held at the Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish on Friday, Oct. 7 from 6-8 p.m. and on Saturday, Oct. 8 from 10-10:45 a.m. at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints located at 6330 US Highway 93 South, Whitefish. Funeral services will begin at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 8, 2016.

Dora May (Thompson) Warren, 89

Dora May (Thompson) Warren chose March 19, 2016, to pass peacefully and with grace to the next life. In her final hours after a prayer, she made family and staff at Kalispell Regional Medical Center laugh and cry joking, "I don't know how to do this. Do I just pump my arms in the air like Sanford and Son and say 'Take me now, Lord!'" She enjoyed life and always found something to laugh about, even in her last days.

Dora was born on a homestead near Mobridge, South Dakota, May 21, 1926. A spring blizzard blew in, but Dora's sister and three brothers were told to stay in the cold barn while her Aunt helped deliver her at home.

She remembers going to a one room school until fourth grade where church and social activities were held too. Her father played the violin for dances. When she was 10, the Great Depression and Midwest Dust Bowl took the farm. The family moved to Woodburn, Oregon, to start over, and she remembers the green landscape of Oregon's Willamette Valley as a welcomed change. The valley was where she finished school, established lifelong friendships, married Charles Nelson Warren (now deceased) and raised five children, two girls and three boys. She worked many years as a housemother for the Vancouver School for the Deaf and Blind.

Her favorite memories were of high school years, USO dances in Portland during World War II Fourth of July picnics with extended family, tending a large garden, watching the rodeo and trips to the Oregon coast.

She resided at Immanuel Lutheran Community since July 2009. Dora enjoyed the elaborate celebrations put on by the Lutheran Recreational Department, watching the Seattle Mariners' baseball games (win or lose), and visiting with residents and caring staff. Growing deafness didn't stop her from staying in contact with family and friends around the country because she embraced email and



email to close relatives.

Her oldest child, MaryAnn Hayes, lives in Victorville, California, near a grandson John Hayes, his wife Dawn and three great-granddaughters, Mary, Ina and Allison. Granddaughter Ina Beth died in 1991.

Oldest son Gerald, from The Dalles, Oregon, died last August. Grandson Eric Warren, his wife Jen and great-grandsons Aidan and Harrison live in Missouri. Grandson Adam lives in Oregon.

Daughter Jane and son-in-law Dave Renfrow, granddaughter Amber, her husband Clark Davis, and great-grandchildren Ruby and Eddie all reside in Columbia Falls. Jane and Dave's oldest daughter, Cami, lives in Salida, Colorado, with husband Trent Hickman and two of Dora's great-grandchildren, Mazie Jane and August Holt.

Son Charlie and partner Jim Purdon live in Hood River, Oregon, near grandsons David and Samuel and daughter in-law Stephanie Eng.

Son Mark and his wife Dawn, granddaughter Amanda Moses and great-grandchildren Ryan and McKenzie, are all from Anchorage, Alaska. Grandson David Moses, his wife Harmony and great-grandchildren, Caleb and Amanda live near Dallas.

Facebook. In fact, she was able to say good-bye the night before she died through a beautiful

Three very special people have been like daughters to Dora. Niece Linda Carter from Salem, Oregon, was at her side when she died. Niece Penny Thompson and dear friend Jeannie and her husband Imants Krese probably made Dora laugh more than anyone with their mutual love of celebrations.

Dora's humor and ability to find the bright side made her an optimist. Her curiosity kept her engaged to the end, and even death was embraced as a welcomed adventure.

A family ceremony for Dora is planned on the Oregon coast in June.

Clarence Anderson Watts, 89



ers who were also serving in Europe at the time. Upon his release from active duty in 1952, he returned to the Flathead



Valley, became a life-long member of the International Union of Operating Engineers, and continued running cranes, draglines and shovels, helping to harness Montana's water resources at Hungry Horse, Cochran, Clark Canyon, and Libby dams. In 1970 he turned to the Iron Workers Union for steady work at the aluminum plant in Columbia Falls as a mechanic and welder so he could stay close enough to begin buying the family farm from his mother after his father's death. After 20 years at the plant, he retired to full-time farming and cattle ranching at age 65 in 1992.

Clarence always held a strong love and responsibility to his family and to the land. Many people, friends and family alike, will always remember Clarence for his assistance and advice, often focused on safety and conservation. That is why it was no surprise when he turned to the Montana Land Reliance to maintain his love in perpetuity through a conservation easement on the family farm.

Clarence is survived by his sisters Georgia Doane of Washington, Signa Howe of Wyoming, Verna Wilson of Washington and predeceased by his brothers Clifford, Richard and James Watts.

Clarence Anderson Watts will be missed by family and friends, all who are better for having known him.

Graveside services to be held at 1 p.m. March 26 at the Conrad Memorial Cemetery. Celebration of life to follow at the Eagles Club, 37 First St. W., Kalispell.

Robert S. 'Bob' Warren, 71

Robert S. "Bob" Warren "went home to be with his Savior" on April 16, 2016, his 71st birthday.

Bob, the only child of Robert and Frances Warren, was born in Chicago in 1945 and raised in Rockford, Illinois. After high school he attended Montana State University, earning degrees in agriculture and education. He worked on a weather research station in the Bridger mountains during and after his MSU career, including doing some early work in the field of cloud seeding.

Bob married Cheryl Apple in 1965, who blessed him with a daughter, Kim. For several years he was a physical education instructor in Billings.

Bob was ever the entrepreneur, owning and operating several businesses, including Cream of the West cereal in Billings. Now divorced, he moved to the Mission Valley where he opened Y-Ribs in Polson. There



he met Penny Taylor, and the couple were wed in San Diego.

A record-setting high school athlete, Bob was also an avid scuba diver and hot air balloon operator and the first person to successfully pilot a balloon in the state of Hawaii. He will forever be known for his sense of humor and desire to make other people laugh — a trait that brightened many hearts at the Kalispell Dialysis Center, where Bob underwent treatment for many years.

Bob is survived by his wife, Penny; daughter, Kim, and Donnie Alexander; and grandchildren, Ryan Penatzer, Danielle Bangert and Brooke Alexander.

A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, April 30, at Living Waters Foursquare Church, 2794 Highway 93 N. in Kalispell.

Bettye Lura Watson, 93

Bettye Lura Watson, 93, died Saturday, June 18, 2016, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center in Kalispell.

She is survived by her children, James E. Lentz Jr., Gary H.K. Lentz, Randall C. "Buck" Lentz, George A. Lentz and Ray

C. Lentz.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, June 22, at Rocky Mountain Baptist Church in Kalispell.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Born on Nov. 11, 1927 to Signe Evelyn (Anderson) Watts and Cary Porter Watts in Minneapolis, Minnesota, Clarence was the second child of seven. The family spent their early years following construction jobs in several states, finally purchasing land in the Flathead Valley in 1942.

Clarence passed away in Kalispell on Dec. 16, 2016.

Clarence had fond memories of Miles City, where he got his first horse, a Spanish pony, and spent time around the stockyards watching the cowboys work. While father Cary worked on the construction of the dam at Fort Peck, the family stayed in Glasgow where the last of Clarence's six siblings was born. Clarence spent the time working on local ranches where he learned many skills relating to animal husbandry and even spent time rounding up wild horses on the eastern Montana plains. He later followed his father into the construction business as an oiler and then worked as a crane and shovel operator, including time digging missile silo sites and dam foundations all over the state of Montana.

The family moved to the Flathead Valley in 1942, purchasing what would become the family farm north of Lake Blaine for an annual payment of \$368. Clarence stepped up to be the surrogate "man of the house" while his father traveled to find work, helping his mother run the farm while attending Deer Park School nearby. Even with the extra responsibilities, Clarence went on to graduate from Flathead County High School in 1947.

After several years continuing work on the family farm, Clarence joined the Army in 1950 during the Korean War. He attained the rank of Corporal and served with the 10th Mountain Division as an M.P. in Germany and was able to visit two of his broth-

William James 'Jim' Weatherford, 90

William James "Jim" Weatherford passed away Feb. 4, 2016.

He was born March 8, 1925, along with his twin sister Lora Frances, to Clarence and Florence Weatherford in Independence, Missouri.

He graduated with the Chrisman High School Class of 1943.

After high school, Jim was drafted into the U.S. Navy in 1943 during World War II and was discharged in 1946 at Sand Point Naval Air Station.

Jim attended Mortuary College in St. Louis, becoming a licensed funeral director and embalmer. Jim moved back to the Seattle area and married Mae Christensen whom he met while stationed at Sand Point. They married in 1947 and had three children, Scott, Nona and Martin. Jim worked with a few funeral home establishments before settling in at Bonney Watson Funeral Home in Seattle.

Mae passed away in 1968. Jim was then introduced to Patricia Shannon Rice; they were married and this added four stepchildren, Dixon, Robin, Andy and Lauren, to Jim's family. The family moved to Kalispell in the early 1970s where they built and operated Weatherford Funeral Home. In 1979 Jim and Patricia divorced.

Jim married Ardith Lee Solberg in 1979 and added stepdaughters Janet Lee and Julie Ann. Jim and Ardith moved to Bellevue, Washington, and Jim again worked for Bonney Watson, and then retired in 1993 from Evergreen-Washelli



Funeral Home.

Jim was a member of American Legion, life member of VFW, past patron of

Eastern Star, past president of Kalispell Rotary Club, and was a Mason.

Jim and Ardith enjoyed traveling. Together they toured many countries in Europe and made several trips to Mexico, Hawaii and also saw many other places throughout the U.S.

Jim will forever be remembered for his great sense of humor, youthful spirit, riding his Honda Aspencade Gold Wing with "all the bells and whistles," bowling, water skiing, downhill and cross-country snow skiing and his computer.

Jim is survived by his wife, Ardith; sons, Scott and Martin; daughter, Nona; grandson, Reiley Adamson; brother, Clarence "Bus" Weatherford and wife Shirley; stepdaughters, Janet Couey and husband Jim, and Julie Collins and husband Fred; step-grandsons, Lane Couey, Ryan Couey and wife Olivia; step-great-grandson, Skylar Couey, and also survived by numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, sister Mary, and twin sister Lora.

No services at his request. Inurnment will be at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery in Kalispell.

To honor Jim's life, "Do a good deed for someone in need."

Daniel Raymond Weber, 60

Daniel Raymond Weber, 60, of Columbia Falls, passed away unexpectedly on Aug. 7, 2016, in Olney.

Dan was born in Whitefish to James Weber and Julia Weber. He was raised in Olney and lived in the Flathead Valley the majority of his life.

Dan enlisted in the Army at the age of 17. After leaving the Army, he worked in the timber industry; first for American Timber in Olney, then for the last several years for Plum Creek at the medium-density fiberboard plant in Columbia Falls. Dan's coworkers were also his friends. He was known for his warm smile, kindness and willingness to help everyone.

Dan loved his wife, Terry Lang Weber, his family, friends, all animals and Montana. He had an immense love of the outdoors and spent many hours in the backcountry of Montana. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, riding ATVs and snowmobiles, all seasons of the year.

Dan and Terry met in 1997 and married in 1998. They both shared a love of animals, and were known for their compassion for rescuing abused, injured and neglected dogs and cats.

Dan was preceded in



death by his parents, James Weber and Julia Erickson, as well as other family members.

Dan is survived by his wife Terry, three sib-

lings, three children, and grandchildren. Surviving siblings include brothers David Weber of Polson and Jimmy Weber of Idaho; and sister Randi and Tim Dowling. Surviving children and spouses include Shawn Weber of Three Forks, Keyvin and Brittany Weber of Missoula, and Yvette Weber of Spokane.

A celebration of Dan's life and potluck will be held from 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 13, at Woodland Park, Main Pavilion, in Kalispell, with military honors at 3 p.m. Family and friends are encouraged to share their memories of Dan.

In lieu of flowers, please consider making a tax-deductible donation to the Non Profit Chihuahuas Forever Home, 100 Covill Lane, Columbia Falls, Montana 59912.

Columbia Mortuary is caring for the Weber family.



Man killed in ATV crash identified

By KATHERYN HOUGHTON
Daily Inter Lake

The Flathead County Sheriff and Coroner's Office has released the name of a man who died in an ATV crash Sunday on Good Creek Road in Olney.

The crash occurred around 2:30 p.m. Sunday about 13 miles up Good Creek Road.

The Sheriff's Office identified Daniel Weber, 60, of Columbia Falls, as the man who died in the accident.

Weber was driving a four-wheel ATV that left the roadway and traveled down an embankment. Additional details were not made available. He was pronounced dead at the scene.

Olney Fire and Ambulance and the ALERT helicopter also responded to the scene. The crash is under investigation by the Montana Highway Patrol.

Reporter Katheryn Houghton may be reached at 758-4436 or by email at khoughton@dailyinterlake.com.

Walter Paul Weaver, 89

Walt Weaver, 89, passed away in his home, surrounded by his family, on May 30, 2016.

Walt was born in Idaho Falls, Idaho, to Harris and Angie Weaver, the eighth of 11 children. The family moved to Montana where he attended school in Rollins.

He joined the Army, serving in the 7th Cavalry, where he was stationed in Japan at the end of World War II.

After a rough first meeting, laden with accusations of scaring fish, Walt and Shirley were married in Kalispell on Sept. 25, 1948. Walt's love for fishing and hunting never wavered, although you'd have to wake up very early to join him, and be willing to endure a little hollering.

Walt retired from the aluminum plant after 30 years, and was a faithful pillar in his church community for over 50 years.



In retirement, he honed his woodworking skills, made countless trips to and from his cabin at Thompson Lake, and of course, loved spending time

with his grandchildren.

Walt is survived by his wife Shirley, sisters Daisy Shoemaker and Pat Tinseth, and daughter, LuAnn Servo, all of Kalispell; and three grandchildren, Stacey Servo of Louisville, Kentucky, Tyrell Servo of Portland and Beau Servo of Superior.

Services will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, June 3, at Central Christian Church.

Johnson & Gloschat Funeral Home is handling the arrangements.

Walter P. Weaver, 89

Walter P. Weaver, 89, died Monday, May 30, 2016, at his home in Kalispell.

He is survived by his wife Shirley, and daughter LuAnn Servo.

Lawrence 'Larry' William Weed, 88

Lawrence "Larry" William Weed, 88, passed away in Florence, Oregon, on Jan. 27, 2016 of natural causes.

Larry was born to Ernest Monroe Weed and Rachel Evangeline Weed on Jan. 27, 1928 in Bigfork.

Larry was a talented mechanic and worked for Henrickson Motors of Kalispell before owning, operating, and retiring from his own shop for many years.

He was married to Shirley Brown-Weed for 64 years before she passed away. Together they enjoyed camping, snowmobiling, berry picking, fishing, crabbing, playing cards and gardening.

For many years, Shirley and Larry spent numerous retirement years in their RV traveling between the southern United States and Mexico, the Oregon coast, and the mountains and lakes of Montana before finally settling in the coastal community of

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, June 3, at the Central Christian Church in Kalispell. Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Florence. In the last few years, Larry loved spending time with friends in the retirement park, visiting with friends and family traveling along the coast, and sending and receiving email and jokes on the computer.

Larry was predeceased by his parents, his wife, Shirley, in 2012; his sister, Norma Jean Weed-Johnson, in 2013; and a niece, Victoria Hawk, in 1999.

Larry is survived by two nieces and two nephews, Mary'l Luntsford, Eliza Anne Sorte-Thomas, Doyle Russell and Gary Russell. He is also survived by eight great-nieces, Kimberly Luntsford, Krystal Luntsford-Fishel, Desiree Russell, Shiree Russell, Mary Wall, Christina Jorgenson, Lloyd Rose and Eddie Rose. Ten great-great-nieces and -nephews also survive Larry.

No services were planned for Larry, per his request, and his ashes were spread, along with Shirley's, in the ocean.

Elijah Weller, 25

Elijah Weller, 25, died at his home in Columbia Falls on Saturday, Oct. 22, 2016.

He is survived by his son Jace Alkire, and par-

ents Darla and Darrin Wilson.

No services are planned at this time.

Columbia Mortuary is caring for the family.

Robert Charles 'Weller' Weller, 71

Robert Charles Weller, 71, passed away in the early morning hours of June 4, 2016, after a short illness with esophageal cancer.

Bob was born on June 9, 1944, in Kalispell, to Charles and Iola (Gorton) Weller, along with his twin brother. He and his twin brother, Roger, joined their older sister Janet.

Bob's father, Charles, the fire chief of Kalispell, passed away when Bob was in elementary school, leaving his mother to raise the three young children.

Bob graduated from Flathead High School in 1962; soon after, he joined the Navy and served on the USS Barton, of which he was very proud.

After his service in the Navy, Bob held various jobs, such as pipe line surveyor in Alaska, taxidermist, and co-owner of the Rainbow Bar and Casino for several years with his dear friend Stew.

Bob loved to hunt and fish and always had plenty of work with his taxi-dermy business due to his great work and being a perfectionist.

Bob loved working in his garden and took great pride in canning whatever he grew and sharing with just about anyone along with his many other recipes.

Bob had a love for the weather, and if you needed to know what it was like on any given day, well, he could tell you from the many journals he kept.

Bob was one of the best joke tellers around and always seemed to have old ones and new ones. He enjoyed many trips to his cabin in the Swan with Jingles and all



the stories afterward.

Bob had a nickname for just about everyone he knew, some pretty funny and some, well you know Bob!

Bob lived his life on his terms and could be ornery or have the biggest heart of gold, and that's how we knew him and loved him.

Bob was preceded in death by his father, mother, and a nephew, Edo Orlandi.

He is survived by his sister, Janet, and her children Mia and Dom, all of Phoenix; his twin brother, Roger, and his wife Jan and their three children Renee Weller and Derek Weller, both of Houston, and Denise Weller and her children, Abby, Anna and Andrew Schrade, all of Kalispell; his Rainbow family and many friends throughout the years.

"Weller, you will forever be in our hearts."

Graveside service for Bob will be at 3 p.m. Thursday, June 16, at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery for anyone who would like to join us. Following the service, there will be a celebration of Bob's life at the Rainbow Bar and Casino until 8 p.m., or however long you want to hang out and share your many stories of Bob.

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

Joel Nathaniel Anderson Weilacher, 31

Joel Nathaniel Anderson Weilacher, 31, died July 14, 2016, in Bigfork.

A public visitation will be from 5 to 7 p.m. Friday, July 22, at Johnson-Gloschat Funeral

Home, with services at 11 a.m. Saturday, July 23, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints church in Bigfork. Visitation will also be two hours before the service at the church.

Charles Ray 'Chuck' Weivoda, 58

Charles Ray "Chuck" Weivoda, 58, died Sunday, Feb. 7, 2016, at St. Patrick Hospital in Missoula.

Memorial services will be at 11 a.m. Friday,

Feb. 12, at the New Life Christian Center in Polson.

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

Anastasia Lynn 'Staci' Westley, 47

Anastasia Lynn "Staci" Westley passed away unexpectedly in her sleep on Friday, March 7, 2016, in Kalispell.

She was born in Tacoma, Washington, on June 12, 1968, and is survived by her husband Douglas; her son Will, his wife Lindsey, and their children Talon and Lincoln; and her parents, Roger and Lynn Ross.

Even though in a wheelchair, she never let her disability stop her and she was an inspiration to many. She earned



an Associate of Applied Science degree in health information technology at Rasmussen College

and donated her time to the Boy Scouts and to Southwest Center for Independent Living. She was an assistant Scout master, taught many different merit badges and held a variety other positions in Scouting. She was also a founding

member of Special Needs Troop 2 in Springfield, Missouri. She will be missed dearly by family and friends.

"She is now free of pain and running around looking down on us continuing to share her smile which will be missed by family and friends."

There will be a memorial service held at 11 a.m. on Thursday, March 17, at Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home and Crematory.

Johnson-Gloschat

Funeral home and Crematory is caring for the Westley family.

Margaret A. Weydemeyer, 74

Margaret A. Weydemeyer, 74, died Friday, Oct. 21, 2016, at her home in Columbia Falls.

She is survived by her husband, Robert Weydemeyer, and chil-

dren, Albert Mustagog, Thomas Mustagog and Lisa Weydemeyer.

A celebration of life will be held later in the spring of 2017.

Austin Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Nancy Michelle (Taylor) Whaley, 52

Nancy was born Oct. 4, 1963, in Kalispell.

"Our dear Lord called her home June 3, 2016, to join her brother, Dr. Greg Taylor, in eternal peace."

Nancy is survived by her parents, Richard and Angela Taylor; her sisters, Debbie, Jennie and Kim; her daughter, Brittney; and grandchildren, Brodyn and Macyn.

Our "Nanc a pants" loved to bake; loved animals and her family; and the wide open Montana skies. We miss her hearty laugh, her generous love and pretty smile. The smell of freshly baked apple pie will



always be a reminder of her.

A private family service was held June 9.

Her ashes

were laid to rest in St. Richard's Catholic Cemetery in Columbia Falls. A celebration of life is planned for July.

"And He will raise you up on eagle's wings

Bear you on the breath of dawn

Make you to shine like the sun

And hold you in the palm of His hand."

Judy L. Whirry, 65

Judy L. Whirry of Columbia Falls passed away Tuesday, April 26, 2016, at North Valley Hospital of health complications.

Judy was born in Shelby on Oct. 6, 1950, to Walter and Helen (Christian) Whirry. The second born of seven children, Judy enjoyed ranch life on the Hi-Line. She graduated from Havre High in 1968. She attended Denver Women's College where she studied fashion merchandising.

She was a high-spirited lady who loved the outdoors, camping and relaxing by the water. Judy enjoyed spending time working and tending to the cows at the family ranch on the South Fork of the Milk River North of Browning. One of her most cherished memories was a trip with her grandmothers, Julia Whirry and Lorene Christian, to Europe in the summer of 1968. She walked to her own beat and danced to her own



drum; she had many adventures and met many people along her journey. She was one of

a kind.

Preceding her in death was her mother Helen Christian Whirry, and her brother Burt Whirry.

She is survived by her father, Walter Whirry; husband, Mike Turner; daughter, Tahnyia Anderberg; grandson, Grant Wallace; brothers, Gordon Whirry, Brian Whirry and Bill Whirry; sisters, Jane Whirry Mues and Dawn Whirry Diskin; and many nieces, cousins, aunts, uncles and friends.

A memorial service for Judy later this summer is being planned by the family.

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

Allen Whitaker, 74

Allen Whitaker, 74, died Monday, Dec. 19, 2016, in Whitefish.

Services will be held at

a later date.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Benjamin C. White I, 78

Benjamin C. White I, 78, of Libby, died Saturday, Sept. 10, 2016, at Mountain View Manor in Eureka.

He is survived by his wife, Sherrill, of Libby; his sons, Benjamin of Eureka and Fred of Neola, Iowa; his daughter, Samantha, of Rexford; and stepdaugh-

ters, Sheri Hakala of Libby and Kim McCormick of Rockford, Washington.

Cremation has taken place and there will be no funeral. A potluck celebration of life was held in Libby and Rexford.

Arrangements are by Schnackenberg & Nelson Funeral Home in Eureka.

Perry E. Wigle, 81

Perry E. Wigle, 81, passed peacefully away Sept. 29, 2016, due to natural causes.

Perry was born to Zuriel "Fuzzy" Wigle and Ella Lee Wigle in Lakeside on Dec. 8, 1934. Perry was raised and attended school in Lakeside along with his six sisters and, after short stints in the logging industry and with Northern Pacific railroad, joined the United States Air Force in 1952.

During his time in the service he traveled worldwide. His travels soon brought him to England where he met and married Peggy Kett on Aug. 15, 1956. Perry and Peggy enjoyed a marriage of 57 years moving to many locations and countries during his U.S. Air Force career.

During his time in the Air Force, Perry earned honors for service in Vietnam and a medal of commendation for serving throughout the Cold War. After 20 years of service, Perry retired from the Air Force, and Perry and Peggy returned home to the Flathead Valley. He then worked for the U.S. Postal Service until finishing his career in 1997.

Perry loved all things mechanical, and was an endless tinkerer and shade tree inventor. His unassuming personality and his "try and try again" attitude endeared him to all. He could most often be found out in the garage working on some project or another, often accompanied by grandchildren. He often helped others with home and auto repairs, and he loved to go fishing and camp-



ing. In later years, he and Peggy visited many places in their RV, traveling throughout the U.S. to visit extended family.

He and Peggy especially loved weekends at the lake with some of their many friends and family. They could also often be found at local establishments enjoying lunch and coffee with some of their many friends.

Perry is lovingly remembered by children Cheryl Barclay and husband Rocky Rapson of Norman, Oklahoma, Petra Meek and husband Mark of Helena, Paul Wigle and wife Susan of Kalispell, and Jason Wigle and wife Katherine of Shakopee, Minnesota; grandchildren, CJ Littleton and husband David, Samantha Siders and husband Jason, Daniel Wigle, Jessika Wigle; five great-grandchildren; and extended family in the U.S. and England.

Friends and family are invited to attend a celebration of Perry's life at 2 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 6, at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home, followed by a reception at the Evergreen Moose Lodge, 2158 U.S. 2 West in Kalispell. In accordance with Perry's wish, ashes will be scattered in a private ceremony by immediate family. To send a note of condolence to the family, please visit www.buffalohillfh.com. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Bryan D. Wilhelm, 57

Bryan D. Wilhelm, 57, died Dec. 20, 2016, at his home in Whitefish.

He was born Jan. 11, 1959, in Kalispell to Joseph and Eleanor Wilhelm.

Bryan was a loving father, son, brother, grandpa and uncle. He spent most of his days in the woods or over the road as a truck driver, logger and equipment operator. He was an avid hunter and fisherman and always loved to have a good time. He was a devoted Cowboys fan and loved golf and boxing. At home he loved to play Xbox with his three kids and watch country Westerns.

Bryan loved to play golf and played pro-amateur tournaments around the valley. Bryan also was a devoted Golden Gloves boxer. He was also an active member of the Moose Lodge.

He is survived by his



mother Eleanor, sister Vickey Stickney, brother Donny Wilhelm, and their

spouses; sons, Brandon Wilhelm, Caleb Wilhelm and Beau Wilhelm; and nieces and nephews, Chris and Mandy Stickney, Jerimiah and Josh Wilhelm. He had two grandchildren and five great-nieces and -nephews.

A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 29, at Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home with a burial to follow at Glacier Memorial Gardens. There will be a reception held at the Kalispell Eagles Club following the burial services.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home is caring for the Wilhelm family.

Rodney Wilkerson, 60

Rodney Wilkerson, 60, of Bozeman, died at St. Patrick Hospital on Wednesday, Jan. 27, 2016.

Arrangements have been under the care of Cremation & Burial Society of the Rockies.

Ronald William, 82

Ronald William, 82, died Sunday, Jan. 17, 2016, in Columbia Falls.

There will be a private family burial, and a celebration of life service will

be at 4 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 21, at Trinity Lutheran Church.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Hendrikus "Hans" Wijnands, 66

Hendrikus "Hans" Wijnands, 66, died July 22, 2016.

No services are

planned.

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

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