

## Connie Joann Gage, 72

Connie Joann Gage, 72, of Whitefish, left us on Tuesday, Feb. 27, 2018, peacefully, surrounded by family.

She was born Nov. 15, 1945, to Morris and Eileen (Mitchell) Murphy Schulstad in Bremerton, Washington.

She married Richard Gage on May 26, 1978, until his passing in 2014.

Connie lived most of her life in Whitefish and worked at Grouse Mountain Lodge for about 25 years. Connie was a member of the Kingdom Hall in Whitefish and looked forward to attending meetings and going

out in service. She loved nature and enjoyed watching and feeding wild birds, deer, and working in her flower beds when she could. She was interested in history and genealogy. She loved fishing and hearing about how her kids and grandkids were doing.

She is survived by her four children, Stoney Shipp, Laurie (Greg) Timmons, Charlie Shipp, and Geri (David) Thamm; her sister, Cheryl (Marlo) Dull; many grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and friends.

Connie was preceded in passing by her hus-

band of 36 years, Richard Gage; her parents; and her brother, Larry Murphy.

A memorial will be held at 2 p.m. on April 21 at the Whitefish Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Flathead County Humane Society or to [autism-speaks.org](http://autism-speaks.org)

Online condolences for the family may be submitted at [www.austinfh.com](http://www.austinfh.com). Austin Funeral & Cremation Service in Whitefish is caring for the family.

## John C. Galbraith Jr., 78

John C. Galbraith Jr., 78, of Kalispell passed away peacefully on Feb. 25, 2018.

John was born in El Dorado, Arkansas, on Feb. 18, 1940, to John C. Galbraith Sr. and Ilene (Deener). He was raised in Arkansas and Louisiana where he went to school. Before graduating high school John went into the service to serve his country in the Navy and the Marines. After serving his country he took night classes to receive his GED.

John worked across the country as a boilermaker for companies like the Hanford Nuclear Plant, but his last job was with the Hungry Horse Dam as a welder.

In 1991 John married Sandra at Calvary Lutheran Church in Kalispell. He was raised a Southern Baptist and loved to do wood working.

John just celebrated his 78th birthday a week ago with his neighbors.

John was preceded in death by his parents, and daughter Jean Ann.

He is survived by his loving wife of 26 years, Sandra Galbraith; children, Angela Adams, Carl Galbraith (Shannon), Lance Fibranz (Susan), Karin Brown and Dawn Mariee Ahlen, sister,



Shirley Mayo; numerous grandchildren, and numerous great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held March 1 at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home with burial at Glacier Memorial Gardens Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers the family requests memorial gifts be directed in John's name to Hospice

Home Options.

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

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## Thomas 'Tom' Gallery, 69

Thomas "Tom" Gallery, 69, passed away peacefully at home on Tuesday, March 13, 2018.

Tom was born Oct. 18, 1948, in Redwood Falls, Minnesota, to John and Arlene Gallery. He was the oldest of four boys. During his school years, Tom enjoyed playing various sports and spending time with his brothers on his grandparents' farm.

After high school Tom was drafted into the Army and proudly served for his country. Tom returned to Minnesota briefly after being discharged, then packed up and headed to the beautiful mountains of Montana, which became his forever home.

He worked various jobs until he was hired on to Burlington Northern Railroad where he worked for 25 years.

Tom met and married Trudy and together they raised their two sons, Justin and Jordan Gallery. Tom enjoyed watching them play various sports, specifically coaching them on their baseball teams.

Tom enjoyed retirement by keeping busy. He had his newspaper delivery routes where he loved "B.S.ing" with his regulars as he would say. He loved spending time with his fishing buddies Nolan and George at Lake McDonald, stopping at Bob's to show



the crew their catch of the day. Tom also enjoyed hunting and picking huckleberries. Summer times were filled with outdoor fun, especially in

the evening around a campfire with the grandkids.

Tom was preceded in death by his parents.

Tom is survived by his wife, Trudy; his brothers Dick "Chooch," Greg, and John "Johnny"; his sons, Justin and Jordan; his granddaughters, Mikayla and Paisha Gallery; and extended family Wyatt, Savannah and Aaron Warren.

A celebration of life will be held later this summer.

A Fisherman's Prayer — Author unknown

"I pray that I may live to fish until my dying day.

And when it comes to my last cast,

I then most humbly pray,

when in the Lord's great landing net and peacefully asleep,

That in his mercy I be judged

Big Enough to Keep!"

## Allen Roger Galloway, 61

Allen Roger Galloway, 61, passed away unexpectedly on Feb. 26, 2018, at his home in Kalispell.

Allen was born Sept. 22, 1956.

Allen lived in Kalispell his entire life. He owned his own interstate trucking business and was self-employed hauling firewood for most of his years. He loved the great outdoors of Flathead Valley that included hunting and fishing. He was good natured, trusting and kind hearted. He will be dearly missed by those that knew him best.

He is survived by his loving son, Allen Patrick Galloway, and his wife Kaitlyn Patricia Galloway; his father, Calvin Galloway; three brothers, Gayle Galloway and his wife Val, Jerry Galloway and his wife Geri, and Corby Jay Galloway and his wife Tiffany; two sisters, Tessa Hill and her husband Kent, and Leola



Stout and her husband Morris; also many aunts, uncles, nieces,

nephews, cousins and friends.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Leah Marie (Kelly) Galloway; and brother, Kelly William Galloway.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, March 3, at Darlington Cremation and Burial Service, 3408 U.S. Highway 2 East, Kalispell. Interment will follow at Glacier Memorial Gardens Cemetery.

Darlington Cremation and Burial Service is caring for Allen's family. You are invited to go to [www.darlingtonfunerals.com](http://www.darlingtonfunerals.com) to view Allen's Tribute wall, offer condolences and share memories.

## Caroline (Zeller) Galloway, 82

Caroline (Zeller) Galloway, 82, passed away on June 14, 2018, after a prolonged illness and a valiant fight.

Caroline was born Oct. 6, 1935, in eastern Montana near Sidney on her parents' farm, the third youngest of 15 children.

In 1954 she met Dennis "Denny" Galloway, a young ranch hand/mechanic. They were wed in October of 1955. Known to family and neighbors as Grandma, Caroline enjoyed life, had a great sense of humor and was a 56-year member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles No. 234.

She bowled on several leagues, enjoyed dancing, playing bingo, her good friends and the mountains of western Montana.

Caroline had six sons, Dennis W., Arnold, Robert, Craig, Thomas and Timothy.

Caroline was preceded in death by her parents, Wilhelm and Louise Zeller; her husband, Dennis; and two



infant sons, Thomas and Timothy.

Caroline is survived by her sons,

Dennis W. (Janet) of Kalispell, four children and 10 grandchildren; Arnold (Maria) of Somerset, Texas, three children and five grandchildren; Robert (Lori) of Great Falls, four children and four grandchildren; Craig (Cindy) of Kalispell, two children.

A funeral service celebrating Caroline's life will be held at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, June 20, at Darlington Cremation and Burial Service, 3408 U.S. Hwy. 2 East. Interment will follow at Glacier Memorial Gardens Cemetery. A reception in her honor will follow at the Eagles, 37 First St. West, Kalispell. Darlington Cremation and Burial Service is caring for Caroline's family.

## Marjorie Osborne Gardner, 61

Marjorie Osborne Gardner peacefully passed from this world on June 1, 2018, after a lengthy battle with heart disease.

Marjorie was born Oct. 10, 1956, in Burley, Idaho, to William and Colleen Osborne, the third of five children. Her childhood was spent on the family ranch in Lolo, which she always considered home. A drive through the area was not complete without a visit to the ranch and time reminiscing. She considered herself quite blessed to have such full and rich childhood filled with 4-H, raising bum lambs, treasure hunting with grandparents and riding Honda 90s.

She attended grade school in Lolo prior to the family's move to Missoula during her middle school years. Finding high school at Sentinel High in Missoula to be unsatisfying, Marjorie found her niche at Holy Names Academy in Spokane. She had many fond memories of her time there. As the family business grew, they found themselves spending more and more time in the Flathead. Abandoning the ranch and Missoula, they moved to the West



Shore of Flathead Lake. This was a move that Marjorie was not excited about, changing schools midway through her junior year

seemed like the end of the world, but that soon changed.

A blind date that ended with a ride home in a stolen car was the beginning of what would develop into a 44-year marriage to the love of her life, William Gardner. Marjorie graduated from Flathead High School in 1974, fulfilling a promise made to her father when she married Bill the year prior. They shared many adventures, which created the opportunity for numerous stories shared with family and friends during gatherings or moments of quiet confidence. Marjorie wanted to see the world and convinced her new husband to join the Army. As luck would have it, he was unable to pass the

physical due to poor hearing and she was sent away to basic training alone. This was quite an experience for a young girl from a small town in Northwest Montana who was generally quite shy and quiet, though proved to be one of growth that she would fondly reflect on for her lifetime.

She returned to Kalispell and together they had a daughter, Jessica, whom they raised in Somers and Kalispell. As Jessica grew into adulthood, she became Marjorie's best friend. While motherhood was treasured, Marjorie felt as if the sun and the moon rose and set on her grandchildren, Gabrielle and Willy. She so loved the opportunity to be a part of their daily lives as they grew. She took great pleasure as chauffeur, cheer leader and trusted advisor.

Much of her time was spent working alongside both her father and husband at Liberty Drilling where she managed the office. She was well known and respected in the well drilling community for her ability to take the illegible gibberish scratched on a driller's log and turn it

into an accurate document which could be depended on for years to come. After her father's death, Marjorie and Bill continued to run Liberty Drilling together. With the support of her husband, she was able to realize a dream of hers and opened Roots and Wings, a small gift and antique store in Kalispell, which she enjoyed very much. So much of her heart remained at Liberty Drilling and she ultimately returned. Retirement afforded her more time to continue to cultivate the artistic talents that she inherited from her mother. She could always be found with numerous projects in progress, much to her chagrin, as Bill would often tease her about how many tables they have in the house, but no place to eat dinner.

Over the past several years, she fought very hard to regain her health as she wanted so desperately to continue her life here with all of us. Ultimately, her broken heart led her home on June 1, 2018, "where she was greeted with open arms and tears of joy by her parents William and Colleen Osborne, brother

Michael Osborne, nephew Billy Tony, maternal Uncle Blaine and cousin Janice Boley, paternal Aunt Marilyn Thomas, dear friend Jannie Grange and numerous others."

She will be so dearly missed and remembered by those of us remaining here, including her husband Bill, daughter Jessica Glover (Willy), granddaughter Gabrielle Glover (Elijah) and grandson Willy Glover. She is also survived by her "boys" whom she considered sons, Spencer Desmet (Nikki and Mackenzie), Andrew Desmet ("little boys" Brecken and Talon), and Tyler Desmet (Brittany). Her sisters, Katy Osborne, Gina Sorensen (Bob, Emily and Sam) and Liz Marvin (Zeno, Saje and Thayer) were also by her side as she took her last breaths. She touched the hearts of

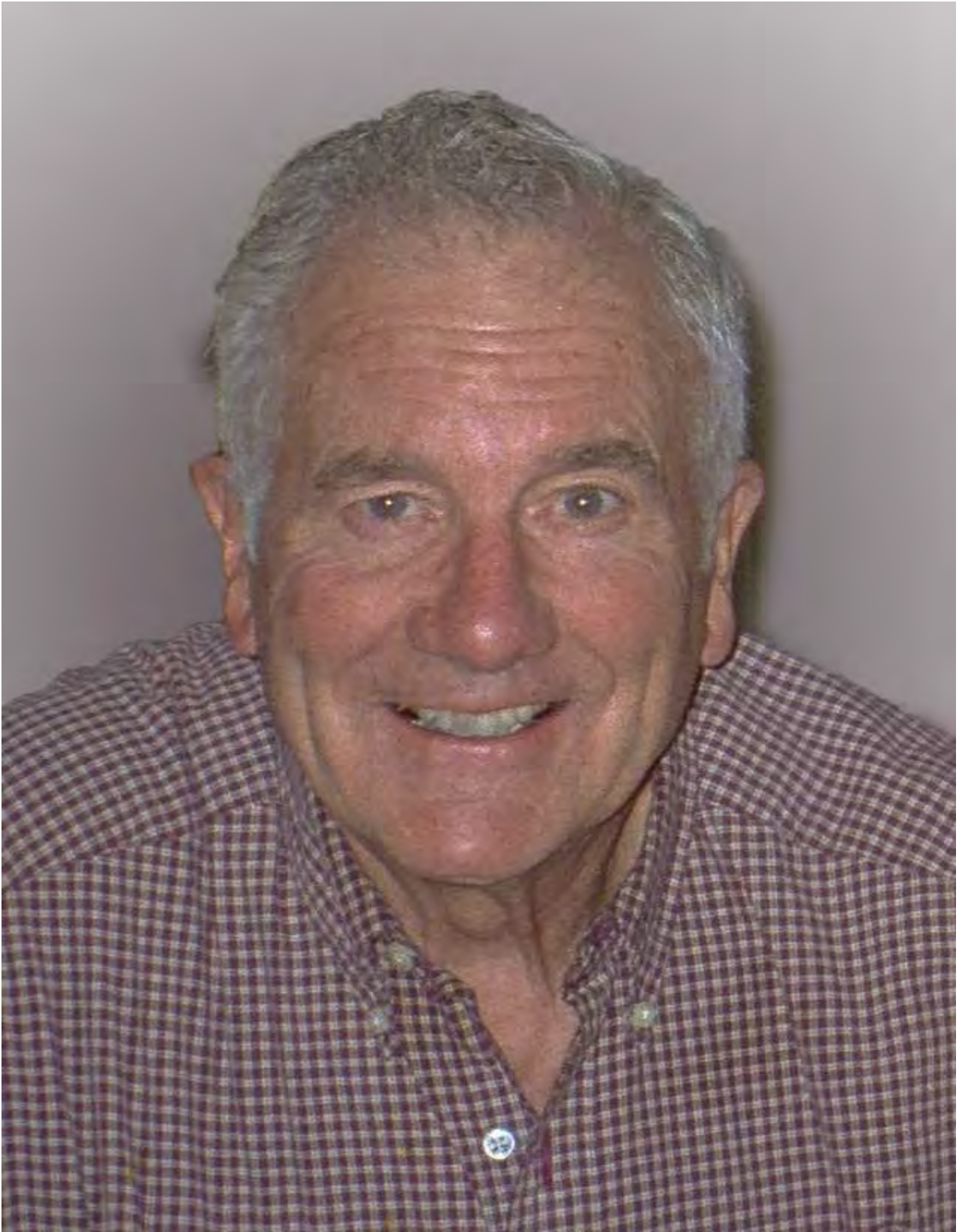
so many others.

The family would like to extend heartfelt thanks to Marjorie's team of healthcare providers who worked so diligently to help her along the way, including Dr. Nitschelm and staff at Big Sky Family Medicine, numerous staff at cardiac rehab and Rocky Mountain Heart and Lung and those working in the Emergency Room and Intensive Care unit at Kalispell Regional Medical Center.

Services will be held at 3:30 p.m. July 3 at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home with a celebration of life to follow at 5 p.m. at Buffalo Hill Golf Course. Friends are encouraged to visit the website [www.buffalohill-fh.com](http://www.buffalohill-fh.com) to leave notes of condolence for the family. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for the family.

# JERRY LEE GARROTT, 93

*June 24, 2018 at 5:00 am |*



Jerry Lee Garrott, 93, died peacefully on May 2, 2018, in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho.



He was born to Ashton D. and Doris (Johnson) Garrott on April 3, 1925, in Palatka, Florida. Jerry graduated from Peoria Central High School in 1943. He attended Franklin College in Indiana and enlisted in the Naval Air Corps where he served for three years during World War II. In 1949, he graduated from Bradley University, Peoria, Illinois. While at Bradley he met Marile Dyslin, his beloved wife of 68 years. They were married Sept. 3, 1949, in Peoria. She preceded him in death this year on Jan. 5, 2018.

Jerry had a very satisfying 35-year career as a jeweler and gemologist. Together, Jerry and Marile co-founded Jerry Garrott Jewelers in Peoria. He was active in the First Presbyterian Church, Rotary, Shrine, Masons, Scottish Rite, Jesters and the Cosmopolitan Club. Jerry served as a member of the board of directors with the Better Business Bureau of Central Illinois as well as chairman. He co-founded the Peoria Ski Club in 1959. In the 1970s, Jerry found enjoyment piloting his hot air balloon at rallies throughout the Midwest, with Marile as head of his chase crew.

Retiring in 1981, they moved to Lazy Creek Ranch in Whitefish, where they lived for 19 years, hosting family and friends. Jerry is remembered for his love of boating, rafting, skiing, hiking and trail clearing in the beautiful mountains of Montana. In 2000, they moved to Fernan Village in Coeur d'Alene, continuing the family, friends and boating traditions. Jerry's sense of humor and special letters will be missed.

He was preceded in death by his brother, James Garrott,

Jerry is survived by daughters, Ann Unruh (Brent) of Coeur d'Alene, and Elizabeth Kuzzy (James) of Minneapolis; and sister, Joanne Long, of Briny Breezes, Florida. He is also survived by five grandchildren, Eva Unruh Gillet (Daniel), Garrott Kuzzy (Catherine Collins), Erica Unruh Sharbono (Kip), Laura Kuzzy (Rody Lageson) and Martha Kuzzy; and four great-grandchildren, Beckham, Ada, Finn and Lena.

At his request there were no services, but a private family celebration of his life will be held.

The family would like to thank the staff at The Bridge of Garden Plaza, Post Falls, Idaho, for their exemplary, caring support of Jerry and Marile. The family would also like to thank Hospice of North Idaho Schneidmiller House for their exceptional, compassionate care of them both as well as their family.

Yates Funeral Home in Coeur d'Alene was entrusted with his final arrangements.

## Marile Garrott, 88

Marile May Garrott, 88, died peacefully on Jan. 5, 2018, in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho.

She was born to Ralph and Loretta (Wolfe) Dyslin on May 24, 1929, in Freeport, Illinois.

Marile graduated from Bradley University, Peoria, Illinois, where she met Jerry Lee Garrott. They married on Sept. 3, 1949, and were blessed with 68 wonderful years of marriage.

Marile was the beloved mother of Ann Unruh (Brent) of Coeur d'Alene, and Elizabeth Kuzzy (James) of Minneapolis. Together Jerry and Marile co-founded Jerry Garrott Jewelers in Peoria, and were lifetime business partners. They cherished their 19 years of retirement at Lazy Creek, Whitefish, where they created lasting memories for their growing grandchildren.

Moving to Fernan Village in Coeur d'Alene in 2000, Marile and Jerry continued with the good family times of boating, fantastic meals and travels.

Marile is remembered for her love of family, friends and the sharing of her love of nature, books, as well as her active involvement in PEO (Chapter DS,



Peoria; Chapter D and charter member of Chapter BR, Whitefish; and

Chapter AG, Coeur d'Alene).

She was preceded in death by her brothers, Karl and J. William Dyslin, and is survived by her husband, two daughters (husbands), five grandchildren, Eva Unruh Gillet (Daniel), Garrott Kuzzy (Catherine Collins), Erica Unruh Sharbono (Kip), Laura Kuzzy (Rody Lageson), and Martha Kuzzy; and four great-grandchildren, Beckham, Ada, Finn and Lena.

At her request there were no services, but a private family celebration of her life will be held.

The family would like to thank the staff at The Bridge of Garden Plaza, Post Falls, for their exemplar, caring support of Marile. The family would also like to thank Hospice of North Idaho Schneidmiller House for their exceptional, compassionate care of Marile as well as her family.

Yates Funeral Home in Coeur d'Alene was entrusted with her final arrangements.

## Sarah Christine Allen-van Geenen, 34

Sarah passed away from cancer in her home in The Hague, The Netherlands, on June 20, 2018.

Sarah was born Nov. 23, 1983, and grew up in Hungry Horse, graduating from Columbia Falls High School in 2001, and then the University of Montana in Missoula, after which she earned her doctorate in Erving, Texas. After this, she moved to The Netherlands where she married Paul van Geenen.

Sarah is survived by her husband, Paul van Geenen of The Hague, The Netherlands; her father, Jeff Allen, of



Hungry Horse; and her brother, Joshua Allen, of Kalispell.

She was preceded in

death by her mother, Susan Allen, formerly of Hungry Horse.

A memorial service will be held at noon on Saturday, Aug. 11, at the Apgar Amphitheater in Glacier National Park. There will be a gathering close to the amphitheater after the service. Kindly bring your own refreshments and food.

## Diana Giffin, 54

Diana Giffin died Sept. 7, 2018, at the Kalispell Regional Medical Center.

Diana was born on Feb. 6, 1964, in Robbinsdale, Minnesota. She moved at a young age with her family to Wyoming where she lived in Jackson, Gillette and Casper. She

met her husband Jon and moved to Cody, Wyoming, where they were married in 1988 and would have been celebrating their 30th anniversary this October.

Ultimately Jon's job took them to Oklahoma City and Houston, but retirement allowed them to move to the Flathead Valley, which Diana loved.

Diana was a very kind and caring person. Though very much an introvert she touched hundreds of people in several countries through blogs and online forums. The outpouring of com-



ments by so many describing how Diana's sketches and posts positively impacted them is truly uplifting.

Diana was a true naturalist. She possessed field guides for all things of nature, from large mammals, birds, wild flowers, small mammals, snakes and cloud types, to even moss and lichen identification. She was a joy to hike with as she could tell a story about all she saw. One of her favorite activities was to photograph the wild horse herd in the Pryor Mountains of Wyoming.

Diana is survived by her husband Jon, her mother Sherry, brothers Steven and Michael, and sister Jennifer.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home is caring for the family.

## Delbert James Gilchrist, 87

Delbert James Gilchrist passed away Oct. 6, 2018, at The Springs.

Delbert was born in Scobey, Montana, on Sept. 3, 1931.

Delbert was an avid biker, hiker, and cross-country and downhill skier in the beautiful mountains surrounding Whitefish. He loved to travel, including visits to Germany and Italy. An early devotee of jogging and fitness, he strictly eschewed cigarette smoking and drinking. He was proud to obtain his pilot's license and often flew a small plane around the Flathead Valley. For many years, he was a wheat farmer at the family homestead near Scobey. He was a true handyman, building the family farmhouse himself and tinkering with his beloved yellow Mercedes.

Delbert was preceded in death by his parents Bill and Martha Gilchrist and by his beloved granddaughter



Krystle. He is survived by his wife Theresia; his four children, Klaus (Jacque)

Gilchrist, Steven Gilchrist, Mindy (Greg) Sisk, and Krista (Tony) Dalpiaz; his sister Alice Halvorson; and his grandchildren Katie, Ava, Eli, and great-grandson, Fox.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated 11 a.m., Thursday, Oct. 11, at St. Charles Borromeo Parish in Whitefish. Graveside committal will follow at St. Richard's Catholic Cemetery in Columbia Falls. A reception will be held at St. Charles Parish. Condolences may be sent to Theresia Gilchrist, 1001 River Lakes Pkwy., No. 122, Whitefish, MT 59937.

Austin Funeral & Cremation Services in Whitefish is caring for the family.

## Bruce David Gilroy, 75

Bruce David Gilroy left this earth and entered the gates of heaven on Friday, Oct. 5, 2018.

Dave was born on April 19, 1943, in Jordan, Montana. He was the son of William Nelson Bruce Gilroy and Evelyn Jean Louise Gilroy.

Dave worked as a roughneck in the oilfields of Wyoming and later the North Slope. He rode bulls, guided hunters, and worked ranches, finding his niche training horses.



He enjoyed hunting on the family homestead in the Missouri River Breaks.

He was a true cowboy with his hat on his head and a story on his lips. He had a ready smile and was quick to make friends and instigate laughter.

After a serious horse accident, Dave accepted

Christ as his Savior and his love for Jesus grew in his later years of life.

Dave is survived by his sisters, Bonnie Holler and Trudy Eckley, of Kalispell; his son, Bruce David Gilroy Jr., of Arkansas; his daughter, Delza McKannan, of Wyoming; his daughters, Stacey and Becky, of New York; and many grandchildren, nieces and nephews, and great-nieces and -nephews.

He was preceded in

death by his parents, Bruce and Jean Gilroy, and his brother Art Gilroy.

A memorial service will be held in celebration of Dave's life at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 13, at Bethel Baptist Church in Kalispell.

In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts may be given to Lake Blaine Baptist Bible Camp, c/o Bethel Baptist Church, 936 4th Ave. W., Kalispell, MT 59901.



# Howard William Gipe, 86

Our beloved and treasured Howard passed away suddenly on Sunday, April 29, 2018, in Whitefish with his loving wife by his side.

He was born May 30, 1931, to Howard and Eleanor Gipe in Great Falls.

In 1938, Howard lived near Kila where he attended school. The following year his family moved to Moccasin, near Lewistown, where he finished high school. At the age of 20, Howard was the youngest grain buyer for the Montana Elevator Company in Montague.

Howard married Rosemary Able in 1950 and later became the proud father of two sons, Walter Eugene and Gary Howard.

He joined the U.S. Air Force in 1952 and during the Korean War, spent nine months in Okinawa as a B-29 gunner and a boom operator refueling aircrafts. He was honorably discharged in 1956 and returned to Montague where he farmed for several years. He didn't have access to enough land to make it as a full-time farmer, so he worked other jobs. He worked as a mechanic, mortician and for eight years stalled race horses at the fairgrounds. Howard mended many fences over the years, using his standby, twine string. His motto was "Don't throw it away, might need it someday." He also officiated at several marriages. Several jobs were as a pilot flying Cessna airplanes. He also flew them for his own enjoyment throughout many states.

In 1961, a friend's suggestion inspired him to join the Montana Highway Patrol where he graduated in the top of his class. Howard was stationed in Chinook for eight years, then moved to Kalispell.

After a passionate and whirlwind romance,



Tim Birk, who had commercial interests across the state.

Later, still not ready for full retirement, Howard embarked on a five-year joint venture with two of his sons, John and James, delivering newspapers for the Daily Inter Lake. He loved sharing his many stories on the dock waiting for his newspapers.

Elk hunting, walleye fishing and camping were some of Howard's favorite hobbies. He hunted many years in the "Bob" but his fondest trips were on the west fork of the Ruby River near Alder with several of his best buddies. He and his son, Walter, enjoyed some "serious" fishing throughout the years. In the last few years, they went on several trips to his favorite place, Fort Peck. He also took his grandsons on memorable fishing trips. Summer camping was "funtastic" for the whole family. He was also an avid Fox news buff and sports fanatic.

Howard's greatest joy was spending his days with Sandi. They traveled all over Montana where he supported her at many sorting competitions. In 2017, they attended their first Sort

year. He was re-elected twice for a total of 18 years and the first and only commissioner to serve three consecutive terms. Retirement was not an option for this hard-working man. He went to work as a business manager for friend,

charity, feel free to wear "pink."

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to: Tough Enough to Wear Pink of Montana (TETWP), P.O. Box 18085, Missoula, MT 59808.

Howard will be missed tremendously by his family and friends on earth. We take comfort knowing he will enter heaven with his amazing smile and "Howdy" for those who arrived before him.

He was preceded in death by his parents, "baby sister," youngest son Gary and his beloved dachshund, "Oscar."

He is survived by his sister, Arlene (Jack), brother Hugh (Jan), niece, nephews, and cousin Dick Gipe. He is also survived by Sandi, his best friend and cherished wife of 32 years, son Walter Gipe (Tammy), grandson Justin Gipe (KC), sons, John Kvaalen (Shannon) and James Kvaalen, daughters, Connie Peters (Doug), Renae Kraft (Marty), Michelle Quartieri (Pat), Cricket Sparks (Allen), grandchildren, Jadra, Jesse, Shelby, Colby, Taryn, Bradley, Anthony, Nichole, Mark, Chelsea, Cassandra, Jerome, Nicholas, Jordan, Kylee, Sierra, Tristin, 13 great-grandchildren plus two more on the way. He also leaves behind his dachshund, "Rowdy."

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, May 12, at Easthaven Baptist Church, 2010 Whitefish Stage Road, Kalispell.

In place of a reception, there will be a special procession honoring his

service to the Flathead community. Howard will have his final ride in a horse-drawn wagon followed by his horse, Buddy, "the best mountain horse he ever rode," and two mules, Matilda and Milly, down Main Street in Kalispell at 2 p.m. Those who would like to follow the procession by riding, walking, driving etc., are encouraged to do so. Please meet in the lot on West Montana Street between First and Second Avenues WN by 1:45 p.m. The procession will head south on Main Street, around the courthouse, and then north on Main Street ending on Sixth Street East at Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home. The United Veterans of the Flathead and the United States Air Force will be providing honors.

Share your stories, pictures and/or condolences at [www.jgfuneral-home.com](http://www.jgfuneral-home.com) or mail to 142 Park Ave., Kalispell, MT 59901.

he married the love of his life and best friend, Sandi, on Nov. 1, 1985.

Howard retired as a sergeant from the Montana Highway Patrol in 1986 after 25 years of service. He was also elected Flathead County commissioner the same

Pink Charity Event where Howard watched through tears of pride as his wife took first place in her class. This "Tough Enough to Wear Pink" event, created a passion to support the organization from that moment on. In support of this

## Paul A. Goguen Jr., 66

Paul A. Goguen Jr. passed away suddenly May 4, 2018, in Whitefish. He was 66 years old.

Born on December 12, 1951, in Winthrop, Massachusetts, to Paul A. Goguen Sr. and Barbara Goguen, Paul was the second of six children. He was raised in Bedford, Massachusetts, where he first demonstrated a passion for history and sports. Here, he was introduced to a friend of his sister Eileen's, Diane Hall, whom he later married on Aug. 26, 1972.

Paul attended Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute where he received both a bachelor's and master's degree in civil engineering. Although his career took him to Maryland, Michigan and Delaware, it would eventually lead him home to Boston. During this period, Paul put down roots in Medway, Massachusetts, and accomplished his greatest achievements. For more than a decade, he applied his engineering skills with Bechtel Corporation to Boston's Big Dig, one of the world's longest and most ambitious tunneling projects. Throughout the woods of Michigan and Maine, Paul cultivated a love of hunting and fishing, no — an obsession — taking great joy and pride in his deep-woods adventures. Paul was the kind of friend who loved to joke and tease but who was also dependable and thoughtful. He had a playful spirit that attracted laughter and the affections of children everywhere he went. He was a role model to the male youth of his family and shared with them what it was to be a good man.

He served on the trustee committee and as a deacon at the Millis, Massachusetts, Church of Christ for a number of years. Most importantly, Paul and Diane raised two daughters, Jenna and Ellie, informally adopted a third and fourth, Lindsey and Tania.

In time, his work would



bring him to Virginia and Antofagasta, Chile, before retiring to Montana in 2016,

where he married Blanca Sandra Goguen on March 4, 2017. To Blanca, he was a loving husband, teacher, best friend and confidant. To Tania he was a devoted father who wanted to ensure her a safe and happy home with all the opportunities a kid could want and need, in both education and Montana lifestyle.

From the beaches of Ogunquit, Maine, to the hills of Whitefish, Paul's outgoing personality left a lasting impression on those who knew him. He will be remembered for his laugh, zeal, motivation, competitive nature and passion for adventure.

He is survived by an extensive family including his wife Blanca Goguen, mother Barbara Goguen, both of Whitefish; his siblings, Linda Peters of Salt Lake City, Eileen Marcuvitz of Newport, Rhode Island, Michele Hughes of Cambridge, Massachusetts, Michael Goguen of Whitefish, and Brian Goguen of Naples, Florida; his children, Jenna Goguen Gavula of Hopkinton, Massachusetts, Ellie Goguen Rice of Medway, Lindsey Barker of Medway, stepdaughter, Tanya Almendra Fuentealba of Whitefish, stepson John William Corzo of Cucuta, Colombia; and seven grandchildren.

A memorial service for Paul will be held in his honor at 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 17, in a private location. Close friends and family are welcome to come celebrate his life.

Condolences and memories may be shared with the family on Paul's webpage at [www.austinfh.com](http://www.austinfh.com). Austin Funeral & Cremation Services in Whitefish is caring for Paul's family.

## Barbara J. Golie, 76

Barbara J. Golie, 76, passed away peacefully on Oct. 14, 2018, surrounded by her children and grandchildren in Spokane.

She was born to Elva (Patton) and John F. Johnson in Wichita, Kansas. She spent her younger years growing up traveling around making feather mattresses with her parents and only brother J.P. as a way to survive the tough economic times; they even sold them to the hotels in Glacier Park. She spent the majority of her life in Whitefish working various jobs and helping out her family. She was married to Sidney W. Golie for 58 years until he passed in 2016. She raised five children and enjoyed helping with numerous grandkids and great grandkids.

Barb enjoyed spending time with Sidney, going for drives and stopping at the Eagles where she enjoyed visiting with friends. Her favorite thing was spending time with the kids, but especially liked her visits with the grandkids and great-grandkids. Her smile would light up the room anytime someone showed up and she would chat up a storm. She will be missed by us all, but welcomed



home by those who have gone before her.

She is survived by her five children, Randy,

Sherrie, Kim, Marcie and Candi; her grandchildren, Cody, Justin, Barbi, Jason, Jenny, Ben, Sid, Renee, Rebecca, Jessica, Noah, Kyle, Zach and Ashley; and a brother, JP. We would love to list all the grandkids, great-grandkids and friends, but there are just too many to list as she was loved by everyone.

She was preceded in death by her parents (John and Elva Johnson), her husband (Sidney W. Golie), and their youngest daughter Cindy Sue.

Per Barb's request, she wouldn't want tears shed for her, but would like for you to give an extra big hug to your loved ones and enjoy being with them each moment as we never know when God will call us home.

We are holding a celebration of life for Mom at 4 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 20, at the Eagles in Columbia Falls. Please join us in saying goodbye to a wonderful woman.

## Dean Goodrich, 64

Dean Goodrich passed away the morning of Sept. 11, 2018, after an arduous battle with brain cancer.

He is survived by his wife Jacy, sister Carleen, niece Breanne, and nephew Eric.

He was born on Aug. 2, 1954, in Portland, Oregon. His parents, Wayne and Betty Goodrich (both deceased) raised the family in Dayton, Washington, where Dean graduated from high school. He obtained two Associate of Arts degrees, one in science and one in elec-



tronics. His early work career was in the commuter airline industry as ground

agent, station manager and dispatcher. Later, he went into electronics where he worked as a technician and engineer. He was a resident of Montana for 26 years.

The family requests that donations be directed to the American Brain Tumor Association.

## Duane Harlin Goodwin, 59

Duane Harlin Goodwin, 59, of Kalispell, passed away Jan. 29, 2018.

Duane was born in Kalispell on July 7, 1958, to Jay and Naomi Goodwin. Duane attended school in Somers and later graduated from Flathead High School. After high school he moved to Washington where he worked for a lumber mill.

Duane moved back to his home state of Montana where he started



his own company, Goodwin Tile, and had operated it for the last 20 years.

On Sept. 12, 1997, he married Pamela Rebich.

Duane's passions were his love of the outdoors, including hunting, fishing, camping, and being a dedicated Broncos fan.

Duane is survived

by his loving wife of 20 years, Pamela; daughters, Niki (Nathan) Bennett, and Krystyna Goodwin; sons, Sean (Lavon) Goodwin, Justin (Kimmy) Evert, and Nicholas (Dana) Evert; parents, Jay and Naomi Goodwin; brothers, Jerry (Peewee) Goodwin, Roger (Sandy) Goodwin, and Steve (Mo) Goodwin; sisters, Gayle (Steve) Mason, Brenda (Bob) Ost, and April (Mark) Perfitt; and 10 grandchildren.

A celebration of life will be held at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 6, at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers, contributions for Duane's funeral services can be mailed to Pam Goodwin, P.O. Box 10211, Kalispell, MT 59904.

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

# Thomas Dudley Gorton II, 76

Thomas Dudley Gorton II, 76, "went home to be with his Lord" on March 6, 2018, at Kalispell Health Center, with his wife Rhonda by his side, after a valiant and intense 14-month battle against cancer.

Tom was born on July 21, 1941, to Virginia and Kenneth Gorton. He grew up with four siblings in Flint, Michigan; he and his family moved to California during his high school years.

Tom joined the U.S. Navy after graduating from high school. He served as an electrician on the USS Blue (DD-744), completing a

Four-year term.

Tom enjoyed a long career working for several telephone companies and also served as a park ranger for 10 years in California.

He enjoyed the outdoors and spending time with his grandchildren. Tom is remembered for his smiling face, helpful hands and soft heart.

Tom loved cars and found great joy sharing the amazing experience he had driving a NASCAR for 10 laps in Dover, Maryland, for his 70th birthday and seeing his family cheering him on! He traveled extensively all over the U.S. and went to Japan, Fiji, Australia and New Zealand (his favorite).

He was preceded in death by his parents, his sister Sue, and granddaughter Ellanore.

He is survived by his wife, Rhonda; daughter Karri Gorton, Patti Schmitz, daughter Tamara, husband Paul



Beauduy, grandchildren Paul Jr., Caitlin, Nicholas and Lucas; daughter Amanda, husband Ryan Geiger, granddaughters Rylynn,

Cambrie, Everly; daughter Stephanie and grandchildren Zachary, Andrew, Ailyah, and Carter; stepson Stan Ottosen and wife Michelle, grandsons Renny, Torin, and Camden; stepdaughter Jackie, husband Rob Bourriague and grandchildren Sophia, and Dane; and sister-in-law Rose Ottosen and husband Don.

In lieu of flowers, memorials in Tom's honor can be made to Life Outreach International for drilling water wells (It broke his heart that there were people who did not have clean water), or to Glacier Bible Camp in Hungry Horse.

A memorial service, including military honors, will be held at 11 a.m. on Monday, March 12, at Bigfork Chapel, with Pastor Richard Stewart officiating. A light lunch will follow. The burial service will be held at Woodlawn Cemetery in Columbia Falls, immediately following the lunch.

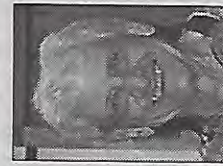
Columbia Mortuary is caring for the family.

Louis "Lou" William Gottschalk, 96, of Kalispell, passed away of natural causes on Feb. 2, 2018.

Lou was born in Oakland, California, on Feb. 22, 1921, to Herbert and Anna (Vialli) Gottschalk.

Lou joined the Navy in 1941 and served four years before being honorably discharged.

He joined the California Highway Patrol and retired as a lieutenant from Corte Madera, California, after 30 years of service. Lou then worked for Baldwin Trucking. He was an avid golfer



## Louis 'Lou' William Gottschalk, 96

and a longtime member of Buffalo Hill Golf Course. Lou made it a point every Friday night to take his wife to dinner at Spencer and Company Steakhouse.

He was preceded in death by his parents, and one sister.

Lou is survived by his loving wife of 55 years, Nova Arlyne Gottschalk; daughters, Lisa Marie

Gottschalk and Annette Seabase; grandson, Seth Foster, and his wife, Holly; granddaughter, Kassie Kinearson, and her husband, Justin; great-grandchildren, Alexis, Jackson and Peyton Foster, and numerous nephews and nieces.

Lou was a loving husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather.

Lou was loved by many friends and everyone at Spencer and Company Steakhouse, where they made him their honorary mayor.

A celebration of Lou's life will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Feb. 10, at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home, with a reception to follow at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, the

family requests donations be made in Lou's name to the Flathead Valley Food Bank, or the Flathead Valley Animal Shelter.

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

## Nova Arlyne Gottschalk, 84

Nova Arlyne Gottschalk, 84, passed away on Sunday, Feb. 18, 2018, at Brendan House in Kalispell.

Arlyne was born on Aug. 17, 1933, to Walter and Bertha (Croghan) Robblee in Palermo, California. Arlyne completed school through the 10th grade as a youth, but later went on to complete her GED as an adult, scoring in the top 5th percentile in Marin County, California.

She worked as a fitness instructor for Vic Tanny's in California, and as a singing cocktail waitress for Kirby's Restaurant and finally as a customer representative for the telephone company in California. Arlyne volunteered for several organizations throughout her life, including Kalispell Regional Medical Center for eight years. She also picked up trash throughout the community.

Arlyne had many hobbies. She enjoyed painting, sewing, cooking, golf and playing bridge, cribbage and Scrabble. She loved baking cakes for everyone at Spencer & Company where she and Lou spent almost every Friday night from the second day they opened, more than 25 years ago.

Arlyne was preceded in death by her husband Lou Gottschalk who passed on Feb. 2, 2018; parents, Walter and Bertha Robblee; and eight older brothers and sisters.

Arlyne is survived by her daughters, Lisa Gottschalk of California, Susan Brossard of Idaho, and Lynne Fernandez of Tennessee; her son, John Fernandez, of Oregon; and her daughter, Marie Oswood, of California; grandchildren, Anthony Moore Jr. of Arizona, Seth and wife Holly Foster of Montana, Kassie Rinearson of Arkansas and Victoria Oswood of



California; and great-grandchildren, Peyton, Jackson and Alexis Foster, all of Montana.

A celebration of life will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, March 3, at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home, with a reception to follow at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to the Flathead Valley Food Bank or the Flathead Valley Animal Shelter. Friends are encouraged to send notes of condolence to the family at [www.buffalohillfh.com](http://www.buffalohillfh.com). Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

## Don Graham, 58

Don Graham of Kalispell passed away on May 25, 2018, in Glacier National Park.

Don was born on Oct. 1, 1959, in Grand Forks, North Dakota, to Roger and Barbara Graham, and was the oldest of three children. The family lived in Grand Forks and Fargo, North Dakota, as well as Poplar, Montana, before permanently settling in Kalispell in 1974.

Don married Jana Rundell in 1981 and they had two sons, Dustin and Tanner.

Don joined the Navy and did three tours to Antarctica as a helicopter mechanic. After his discharge in 1985, Don and Jana came back to Kalispell before moving to Bozeman where Don earned his bachelor's degree in civil engineering. He was employed by Schlumberger Oil Services for 22 years, with the family moving between Wyoming and Colorado, finally settling in the Denver area from 2005-2016. They then decided it was time to come home to Montana where both Don and Jana began working for Kalispell Public Schools. Don and Jana were both thrilled to be back in Montana.

Don was an avid outdoorsman. He enjoyed ice hockey, fishing, camping, hiking, skydiving, golf, kayaking, bicycling and anything else he could find to do outdoors. He loved skydiving and the friendships he made



through it. Ice hockey was a passion and he was very active in the Colorado and Montana Hockey Referee

Associations. In recent years his love of cycling was his "obsession of the month" as he would say. He rode through the mountains of Colorado and Montana with pure joy.

Don is survived by his wife Jana, son Dustin (Ana) Graham, son Tanner Graham, father Roger (Darlene) Graham, brother, Doug (Vicki) Graham, and sister Dani (Randy) Burtsfield, one grandson Austin Stuart, five nephews, 10 nieces and a large extended family.

He was preceded in death by his mother Barbara Dupont, and grandparents on both sides.

He will be missed every day and never forgotten.

There will be a celebration of Don's life to be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, June 2, at the Flathead County Fairgrounds in the Country Kitchen building.

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

## Betty Greaves, 92

Betty, a truly beloved wife to the late Jack Greaves, and mother to Susan (Robert Hubele), John and the late Cindy, and adored grandmother of Elisabeth (Martin Sessi), Camille (Cory Anderson), Charis (Scott Birchall) and Dave, and great-grandmother to Casey, Natalie and James Anderson and Jacob and Audrey Birchall, died peacefully on April 17, 2018, just shy of her 93rd birthday. Betty is also survived by brothers, Hi Gibson (Mary) and Ed Gibson. She was loved by many and will be remembered for her kind and caring heart and her deep compassion towards others.

Betty was born June 22, 1925, in Wichita, Kansas, the oldest child of Ruth and Dr. Harry V. Gibson. Her two brothers, Hi and Ed, were born six and seven years later. During her early years, the family lived in Wisconsin, mostly in the small railroad town of Fairfield near Eau Claire, where her father was a family physician. The family, like most during the Depression, had little money but her mother recalled that "we never ate better," because patients paid their bills with produce from their gardens and farms. Betty embraced this resilient and positive attitude and carried on this message throughout her life.



worked at Western Union. Jack became a fighter pilot in the Army Air Corps, and was stationed in England, flying missions over France. He was shot down and captured by the Luftwaffe and turned over to the SS, but soon escaped and was hidden by a French family. For two days Jack and the whole family hid in a tunnel they had built under their pig pen while a battle raged over the top of them, until Canadian ground forces captured the area.

He and Betty were married in April 1945 after Jack was transferred to the U.S. It was a loving marriage that would last almost 69 years. She always fondly referred to him as "my Jack" and would mostly ignore the Snickers bars that he regularly ate after lunch.

They lived in Ohio and Bozeman while Jack earned a degree in architecture, then moved to several different areas for his work and settled in Sacramento, California, where they raised their three children. Susan

return home to Montana. Jack subsequently designed and built a home close to the lakeshore, which they liked so well that they built and moved to another just like it.

In addition to being a PEO member in Chapter C, where her mother and sister-in-law were also members, Betty was an active member of the Lakeside Chapel. She was always a strong supporter of her community and thrived in the friendships that she built over the years.

Relationships were paramount to Betty; she always put others above herself and her friends remember her as someone who was a compassionate listener. She loved to talk on the phone and connect with friends over coffee or at exercise class. She touched the lives of many with her kindness and empathy, always genuinely caring about what was happening in other people's lives. Her greatest joy in life was being kind to others and making connections with people. In her 80s, she smilingly told her family her favorite thing to do was to "visit old people."

Betty blossomed during her almost four years of living at Buffalo Hill Terrace, enthusiastically participating in many activities, including watercolor painting, flower

arranging, yoga, concerts and outings. Her favorite class was creative writing, which she never missed, and she wrote over 50 short stories under the expert guidance of Bob O'Neil. Her most recent stories were a series about dogs — she loved dogs from the time she was a little girl. Betty would quiz everyone about their

favorite dog breed, and then research and write about them.

The family is grateful for the care of the wonderful staff at Buffalo Hill Terrace, which greatly enhanced the quality of her life. During the four years she resided in her apartment there, her cheerful, positive outlook drew people to her. She

made many friends, and connected deeply with the staff members who were committed to her care. Betty had a natural way of making each person in her life feel special.

A celebration of Betty's Life will be held at 2 p.m. on Saturday, June 30, at Lakeside Chapel in Lakeside, with a reception to follow.

Without fail, she would always seek and find the best in every person and in every situation.

The family moved to Great Falls when Betty was in eighth grade. During high school Betty met her future husband, Jack Greaves, when he was home from college and came to her house to pick up her mother's doughnuts for a bake sale. Jack then made and won a \$1 bet with his friend to take her out on a date. Many trips and much correspondence when they were falling in love followed between Missoula, where Jack was attending university, and Great Falls, where Betty was finishing high school.

After graduation from Great Falls High School, Betty briefly attended University of Denver where she joined Delta Gamma sorority. Later she attended the University of Montana, then returned home and

Cindy and John. Betty celebrated 55 years in PEO and was also a longtime member of the Junior League. Being elected president of the Junior League in Sacramento was an important milestone in her life.

Betty began her real estate career in Marin County, California, in the late 1960s, and continued her career when she moved to Montana. She loved selling real estate, getting to know her clients and caring about every little detail during her 47-year career, which she never really retired from. Her grandson designed her latest set of business cards when she was in her 80s.

Every summer, the family visited Betty's parents in their retirement home on the West Shore of Flathead Lake. In the late '70s, they moved from California to the "white house" property, fulfilling their long-term desire to

## Maria Jensen Ogrin Green, 82

Maria Jensen Ogrin Green, 82, passed away on Jan. 5, 2018, in Kalispell.

Maria was born on Dec. 7, 1935 in Missoula.

Services will be held at 2 p.m. this Friday,



Jan. 12, at Sunset Memorial Funeral Home, 7405 Mullan Road in Missoula,

with burial at the Missoula City Cemetery immediately following. Maria's family will be hosting a celebration of her life at Finn and Porters, 100 Madison St., immediately following

the burial, until 6 p.m.

To send a note of condolence to the family, please visit [www.buffalohillfh.com](http://www.buffalohillfh.com).

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

## Richard 'Rick' Philip Greer, 67

Richard "Rick" Philip Greer of Columbia Falls died in his sleep on Sunday, March 4, 2018, at the age of 67. He was living near his home that burned down a few weeks ago. The cause of death is not known at this time.

Rick loved his home in the woods and is well known for his adventures with hunting, fishing, skiing and photography. He especially enjoyed hunting birds with his German short-hair dogs.

Rick was born in Denver and raised his family in Sheridan, Wyoming, but then moved to the Flathead over 20 years ago. He retired after 20 years with Kalispell Regional Medical Center and worked as the wood shop manager for about 16 years. Rick was known for "making it happen" when asked to do a project for the employees of the hospital and for his kindness to all.

He is survived by his daughter Alisa Gamma of Flathead County, and sons Brent Greer of Missoula and Stuart Greer of Sheridan. He is also survived by his parents Robert and Ruth Greer of Kalispell, sister Robyn Zimmermann of



Kalispell, and brother David Greer of Eagle, Idaho.

A celebration of Rick's life will

take place at 11 a.m., Saturday, March 11, at Columbia Mortuary, 1010 4th Avenue W., Columbia Falls.

Memorials in Rick's honor can be made to Big Brothers Big Sisters of Flathead County, or Habitat for Humanity of the Eastern Bighorns, Sheridan, Wyoming.

## Marie K. Greeson, 91

Marie K. Greeson, born in Columbia Falls to Bessie and Daniel Kelleher Feb. 13, 1927, went peacefully home to God Nov. 9, 2018.

She was preceded in death by brother Daniel, sister Dorothy, and husband Francis.

Marie lived in the Flathead her entire life. She attended Mountain Brook School, graduated Flathead County High, and attended Kinman College.

She worked at the Marion store where she met and married Francis Greeson in 1949.

Marie was active in the Eagles; she managed the family businesses, repaired sewing machines; gardened, and was an accomplished



seamstress and harmonica player. She loved to camp, travel, do crafts and color.

She is survived by her children, Ben Greeson, Lynn (Wiebe) Greeson, Gwen Boyd, William and wife Sue Greeson and Michael Greeson; grandchildren, Daniel Wiebe, Heather Beadles, Aaron Wiebe and Katrina Boyd; and great-grandchildren, Sky Wiebe, Isaah Wiebe, Jacob Wiebe and Zoe Wiebe.

Memorial services will be held at a later date.

## Cheryl (Norby) Grefsrud

On Tuesday, July 31, 2018, Cheryl Grefsrud, grandmother, mother, daughter and sister, passed away at the age of 57.

She was local to the valley most of her life, and graduated from Whitefish High School in 1979.

Cheryl worked for the Flathead County Sheriff's Office for several years before relocating to the Seattle area. She had recently moved back and was readjusting to small-town life.

Cheryl will be forever



remembered by her children, Nicole, Taylor and Derek; her mother, Billie; her

brothers, Scott, Shane and Steve; and her grandchildren, Mikaela, Jace, Wyatt (Nicole), Samuel and Walter (Derek).

She will be missed dearly by her nieces, nephews, extended family and close friends.

## Larry Gregg, 80

Larry Lee Gregg, 80, of Kalispell, passed away peacefully at his home Thursday, Dec. 28, 2017.

Larry was born in Glasgow on May 5, 1937.

He honorably served 11 years in the United States Air Force.



He is survived by his wife, Phyllis;



and six children, David, Ronnie, Robin, Tina, Terry and Scott.

Larry was blessed with 17 grandchildren and 22 great-grandchildren.

A loving husband and father, he will be missed,

but not forgotten.

Larry's memorial will be held at 2 p.m. on Jan 5 at the Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home.

Phyllis requests that, in lieu of flowers, please donate to cancer research.

## Phyllis Anne Gregori, 82

Phyllis Anne Gregori passed away on Thursday, July 5, 2018, at the age of 82.

She was predeceased by her beloved husband of 30 years, Raymond Patrick Gregori.

Family and friends were Phyllis's passion and delight. She was a remarkable cook and loved nothing more than preparing meals for her family and friends, especially over the holidays. She was an accomplished artist, creating oils on canvas that depicted the beauty of her surroundings, including the wild



Seahawks fan, and had a passion for mystery novels and crossword puzzles. Phyllis loved adventure, and spent many years traveling the United States before settling in Montana where she quickly rooted herself in the community and lifestyle. She was a lover of all things innocent and

animals of Montana that she was so fond of. She loved quilting, was an avid golfer, a dedicated

beautiful, particularly animals. She took pleasure in the simple things that life had to offer, and delighted in watching the eagles and ospreys fly near her home.

Those who knew Phyllis understood that she was the perfect care-taker. She lovingly cared for her mother, Edna, and subsequently her husband, Raymond, in the final years of their lives.

Phyllis is survived by her two children, Ken and Susan; their spouses, Christine and Jeff; three grandchildren, Trevor,

Kristin and Dominic; a great-granddaughter, Alana; a brother, Richard, his wife and Phyllis's best friend Eva; and a number of other loving relatives and close friends.

Phyllis requested for an intimate and private celebration of her life. The family wishes to thank all of those who cared for her during her last days. The loss is immeasurable, but so is the love that she left behind.

Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls is caring for the family.



## Willard Grenier, 85

Willard Grenier, 85, died Feb. 10, 2018.

He was born in Red Lake Falls, Minnesota, to Henry and Mary Grenier. He was one of eight children who grew up on the farm.

Willard moved to Montana at 24 years old and stayed.

He met the only woman he loved and married her with all of her seven children. Eleanor "Squirt" and Willard had been married for 53 years.

Willard's greatest joys in life were camping,



fishing, gardening and riding his Harley Davidson.

He was preceded in

death by his parents, two brothers and a step-daughter.

Survivors are his wife, six stepchildren, Roger Barrett, Rick Barrett, Rita Barrett, Robin Horn, Roxanne Kearns and Rene Barrett; one brother and four sisters.

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## OBITUARIES

### Dennis M. Grillo, 65

Dennis M. Grillo, 65, passed away on Monday, Jan. 8, 2018, in Milford Regional Medical Center in Milford, Massachusetts.

Dennis was born in 1952, in Milford, the son of the late Luigi "Gene" Grillo and Elvira (Antolini) Grillo.

Dennis moved to Kalispell in 1971 and remained in the Flathead Valley until 1987.

Be it known: That Dennis spent the happiest years of his life here. Those incredible weekend adventures with Sue, Roberta, Jerry, Gary, Rick, Nola, Lyle, Marty, Jim, Skinny, Felix, Bob, Tom, Rob, Gene, Heine and so many more of the gang, be it on snow-cats up at Canyon Creek, floating the Middle Fork, hiking Aeneas backcountry, steaming lobsters on the Fourth of July, or waterskiing behind the Jolly Roger, Dennis was game for it all. And his beloved dog Jason in tow.



That Dennis's dream of striking it rich up in Silver Basin on Baptiste Mountain

was a dream lived, not a dream lost. That Dennis lived all of his dreams. That Dennis had a good life. That he believed in God. That his peaks were magnificent and that his valleys were brutal. That he has a beautiful daughter named Ashley, living somewhere out in Colorado. That he loved his family and friends dearly.

That he was Donald's twin brother and neither was ever alone in this life, no matter what state they were in or continent they were on.

That he wasn't planning on dying and it just happened. That he is at peace now, where sorrow cannot follow.

A big thank you to all who knew Dennis and called him their friend.

## Robert Alexander Grimaldi, 81

Robert (Bob) Grimaldi left this life on Sunday, March 11, 2018, surrounded by family and friends after a multi-year battle against bladder cancer.

Bob was born in Farmington, Maine, on March 18, 1936, to Alexander and Dorothy Grimaldi. He enlisted in the U.S. Army at the age of 17. At the end of his enlistment, he enlisted again, this time in the U.S. Air Force where he remained until 1975. Bob ended his military career with the rank of chief warrant officer.

Bob began a second career when he entered the civil service in 1977, serving with the U.S. Air Force until his second retirement in 1998. During this period, he was assigned to several Air Force installations, foreign and domestic, including West Germany, Vietnam, California, Washington, northern Italy (his favorite) and



finally Montana.

Bob was married on Sept. 22, 1956, to Jean Grossman in

Mellborne, Pennsylvania. He and Jean raised five children. Jean passed away in 2011.

Bob found Montana, the North Fork in particular, while stationed at Fairchild Air Force Base near Spokane in 1966. He was invited to fish for bull trout up the North Fork and sight-see in Glacier National Park. Bob fell in love with the area and began a search to find property upon which to build his retirement home. In 1972, Polebridge became that place.

Between 1972 and retirement in 1998, Bob and Jean slowly improved their Polebridge property, worked on it during

many summers and finally moved permanently to it in 1998. They lived there year round until 2015 when health issues forced a move to Columbia Falls.

Bob and Jean were well known to have the best kept landscaped property in the North Fork. This included a two-acre hand-built river rock fence system, many native tree and shrub species, and a well-manicured lawn. They took pride in their home.

In 2006, Bob, being concerned with the deteriorating air quality conditions affecting water and air, proposed and conceived what is now known as the NFRCHS — North Fork Road Coalition for Health and Safety. Through his many tireless efforts and letter writing campaigns, Bob was able to prod Flathead County into improving the air quality along the North Fork road by treat-

ment with dust abatement applications. This process continues to this day.

Bob's foresight into the future of the effects of recreational activity in the North Fork led the way in improving travel on the North Fork Road, formerly a dangerous and unhealthy experience.

Bob was preceded in death by his wife, Jean, and a daughter, Carol Bryan.

He is survived by daughters, Meg Grimaldi of Marina Del Rey, California, Denise Messer of Barbourville, Kentucky, and Katrina Davis of Olancho, California; and son, Dante Grimaldi, of Tacoma, Washington. Bob leaves behind 11 grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren and one sister.

A celebration of Bob's life will be held in Polebridge this summer on a date to be determined.

## Stanley Gronley, 84

Stanley Gronley, 84, joined our heavenly father Tuesday morning, Aug. 7, 2018, after a long and courageous battle with cancer and Lewy body dementia.

Stan was born on a farm as the eighth of 10 children. The Gronley family moved to Kalispell in the fall of 1942.

After graduating from Flathead County High School in 1952, and attending some college in Bozeman, Stan met and married Barbara Kinshella, and they would be blessed with two daughters and one son. The family moved to Seattle where Stan worked at Boeing as an aviation quality control inspector for 11 years. In 1967 the family moved back to the Kalispell area where Stan enjoyed bowling, hunting, fishing and going to the family cabin on Ashley Lake.

Stan and Barbara later divorced, and Stan would go on to marry Garnet Basye. Garnet and Stan shared 40 years together. They enjoyed the love of golf, their faith, wintering in Arizona and spending summers in Montana.

Stan was a skilled woodworker, making many cherished treasures for family members throughout the



years.

Stan was preceded in death by his parents, brothers Sidney

and Leroy, and sisters Darlene, Gwendolyn and Bev.

Stan is survived by his wife Garnet, daughters Jodi Mott (Lisa), Kristi Carroll (Brian), and son, Mark Gronley (Ronette), and Garnet's daughters Kathy Crone (Mike), Karen Tuohy (Rob), and Garnet's son, John Basye; 13 grandchildren, Craig, Cara, Kyle, Alex, Angela, David, Jenny, Jacqueline, Jacob, Tracy, Jason, Jesse, Sean and spouses; as well as 18 great grandchildren; brothers, Gerald and Winford; and sisters, Frances and Gloria; and numerous nieces and nephews.

A service will be held at 11:30 a.m. Monday, Aug. 13, at Glacier Memorial Gardens, 2659 Hwy. 93 North, with a celebration of life following at Village Greens Clubhouse.

In lieu of flowers, please donate to a charity of your choice.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home is caring for the family.

## Edward A. Grzesik, 81 Shirlyn S. Grzesik, 73

Edward A. Grzesik Sr. and Shirlyn S. Grzesik passed away unexpectedly Aug. 24, 2018.

Shirlyn was born to Lynn and Shirley Snow in Oak Park, Illinois. Edward was born to Edward and Lottie Grzesik in Chicago.

They met at Butch McGuire's in Chicago "Know About It."

They are survived by their son Edward (fiance Tricia Patzer) Grzesik, daughter Sarah (Joe) Kiep, granddaughter Emma, brothers Lynn D. (Jane) Snow, Steve (Les) Snow, and Larry (Dave Mueller) Snow. They were preceded in death by their parents.

Visitation will be from 4 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 30, at

Yurs Funeral Home 405 E. Main Street, St. Charles, IL 60174. Funeral Mass will be 10:30 a.m. Friday, Aug. 31, 2018, at St. Patrick Downtown Catholic Church, 400 Cedar Street, St. Charles, IL 60174. Burial will be at Resurrection Catholic Cemetery, Justice, Illinois.

Contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, or the American Heart Association.

To leave an online condolence for the family, visit the funeral home's obituary page at [www.yursfuneralhomes.com](http://www.yursfuneralhomes.com). For more information, please call Yurs Funeral Home of St. Charles, 630-584-0060.

## Constance 'Connie' Guest, 78

Constance "Connie" Guest, 78, died of natural causes on Dec. 1, 2018, at the Brendan House in Kalispell surrounded by her family.

Connie was born on Sept. 24, 1940, in Kalispell to Melvin Goldhammer and Loretta Kair Goldhammer. She graduated from Flathead County High in Kalispell in 1958.

She relocated to Great Falls and married Michael Guest who was attending photography school. After Mike finished school, they relocated back to Kalispell.

Mike and Connie, along with his brother Gary, purchased the Guest Photo Art & Books. Connie worked alongside her husband as a manager and bookkeeper. They enjoyed spending time with friends and family. They loved entertaining, playing cards, camping and motorcycles. After purchasing a travel trail-



er, they began traveling to various places. In 1985, at 44 years old, Connie suffered a debilitating stroke. She lost her beloved husband, Mike, to cancer in 1986. She then continued to reside in her home, taken care of by her children. Connie was a resident at the Brendan House following a fall in 2013 and where she passed five years later.

Connie is survived by her son and daughter-in-law, Brian and Marje Guest of Kalispell; her son and daughter-in-law, Tim and Kelly Guest of Kalispell; daughter, Barbara Guest, of Billings; sisters, Charlotte Bostic and Suzanne Hutchison, also of Kalispell; seven grandchildren and one great-grandson.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Michael; daughter, Terry Beebe; grandson, Michael Beebe; and brother, Steve Deitrick.

Due to Connie's sudden passing, a ceremony and memorial will be announced at a later date so as friends and family residing in distant places may attend.

## Doris Lucille Guidi, 70

Doris Lucille was born in a small family doctor's office in Whitehall, Montana, on May 1, 1948, the only daughter of Arvid and Ella Hanpa. After delivery, Ella carried her May Day baby home across the alley where Doris's older brother Norman awaited her arrival.

Doris lived in Whitehall with her family until elementary school. The family then moved to Butte, where Doris attended Greeley Elementary and Butte High. She attended Montana Tech for one year, and there met her future husband, Terry Guidi, in geology class. He became her rock. The following year she transferred to Montana State University in Bozeman where she gained many lifelong friends and earned her Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education degree.

After dating for three years, Doris and Terry married in Butte on Aug. 15, 1970. Immediately following, the newlyweds took teaching posts in Denton, Montana. They enjoyed the prairie of Central Montana and friendships that are born from living in a Montana ranching community. After three years they moved to Townsend where Terry taught high school English. It was there that the arrival of twin baby girls, Crystal and Jennie, graced their lives.



She cared for them and followed their progression past the third grade. She attended musical recitals, sporting events, and tracked their lives into adulthood. Doris had put in 30 years of teaching at the time of her retirement in 2010.

Doris had such a generous spirit. In retirement she volunteered for CASA, a program that was near and dear to her heart, which allowed her to continue her work with children. She also enjoyed volunteering with Terry at the Museum at Central School.

Doris loved nothing more than being with her family. Terry and her daughters always knew they were the center of her world. Her sons-in-law Ethan and Mihail were a constant source of entertainment and fun. They loved to tease her good-naturedly, inventing a log of "Dorisisms." Doris became Grammy, a dream of hers, to sweet Elsa in 2015. She made the trip to Billings, on December roads, to be there for her granddaughter's birth.

Doris was a lifelong learner and traveler. Together she and her family traveled to Europe,

Schools. Doris loved teaching, and giving herself tirelessly to her fortunate students.

from where her grandmother hailed and the homestead off McDonald Pass, near Helena, where her father was raised. She also ensured that her daughters knew how to make the Butte staple, Cornish Pasties. Doris loved to reminisce about her childhood in Butte and her cherished memories of time spent on the Kertula Ranch outside of Avon; the home of dear friends. Her job was to keep tally of the steers and heifers during branding.

Doris suffered from pulmonary fibrosis, a disease that crept in and stole her from her family far too soon. She bravely left her beloved home to seek a lung transplant at St Joseph's Hospital in Phoenix. It was the only chance she had to prolong her life and, as she told her doctors, "to spend more years with her family." Though she received exceptional care at St Joseph's, her lungs failed her before she could get the transplant. She passed away peacefully Nov. 13, 2018, with her husband at her side, holding her hand. She died as graciously as she lived.

Doris was preceded in death by her parents, Arvid "Art" and Ella Hanpa and Terry's parents, Gar and Lola Guidi.

She is survived by her husband, Terry, her daughter, Crystal Thurman, her daughter, Jennie, and son-in-law,

Ethan Stapp, her daughter, Rachel, and son in law Mihail Kennedy, and her precious granddaughter, Elsa Kennedy. She is also survived by her brother, Norman and his wife, Ellen Hanpa, their daughters Kathy Russell and Michelle Lingenfelter and their families, Terry's brother and his wife, Ron and Darlene Guidi, their son Adam Guidi and his family, and Terry's sister and her husband, Beth and Rick Dotson. Doris also has numerous cousins who were very dear to her. She especially enjoyed spending time with her cousins, Chuck and Jill Bliss and John and Kathy Bliss in Arizona.

The Guidis will hold a memorial service at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Nov. 24, at the Columbia Falls United Methodist Church, 117 Second St. West in Columbia Falls.

Donations in Doris's memory may be made to the Flathead Lake United Methodist Camp, 21339 Methodist Camp Road,

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Terry's job as a high school counselor brought the young family to Columbia Falls. Here they found their new hometown in which to raise their family. Doris and Terry were once again blessed by the birth of a baby girl, Rachel.

Doris immersed herself in the loving community of the Columbia Falls United Methodist Church. She held many roles over the years including Sunday school teacher, youth group leader, annual conference lay member, church camp trustee, and Yellowstone Annual Conference board trustee. She especially loved the Flathead Lake United Methodist Camp, a place she attended as a girl. She spent many a birthday cleaning cabins and the chapel at camp, preparing for the upcoming season of campers. Doris had many close friendships with her church family that spread across Montana.

After taking several years off from teaching to be at home with her daughters, Doris returned to the classroom. She taught fifth grade for a couple of years before moving to third grade, where she taught at Glacier Gateway and Ruder Elementary

around the United States, and one of their favorite places, the Oregon Coast, which they visited year after year. Glacier National Park was a special spot for Doris, especially the Trail of the Cedars, which she convinced her husband and daughters to walk with her once in the middle of the night. Her favorite place to camp was the Fish Creek Campground, Loop D, site 150.

Doris was adamant that her daughters be familiar with their family heritage and she stayed connected to her Finnish and English relatives. She visited Redruth, the town in Cornwall, England,

## Jerri L. Guiffrida, 64

Jerri was "called to heaven" on Saturday, March 24, after a courageous fight with cancer. She will be greatly missed by many.

Jerri was born in Webster, South Dakota to Roland and Naomi Roen on April 23, 1953. Shortly after birth the family moved to the Great Falls area, where she resided until she was 12 years old. The family then moved to Long Beach, California. A couple of years later, while attending junior high, Jerri met a young man named Phillip Guiffrida Jr. They became high school sweethearts and on Sept. 23, 1972 they were married.

In the mid '80s Phillip and Jerri were looking to leave the hustle and bustle of the big city. Jerri said the only place she would ever want to live is back in Montana. That was all it took; they packed up their belongings and two young children and moved to Kalispell.

Jerri spent many years working as a bookkeeper for a variety of businesses in Kalispell. Over the last couple of years she



gave back to the community as a volunteer for Cancer Support Community of Kalispell.

Jerri enjoyed sitting in her backyard gazebo reading books on long summer days. She also loved and cherished spending time with her grandchildren.

Jerri is preceded in death by both her parents, Roland Roen and Naomi Guseman. Jerri is survived by her husband of 46 years, Phillip Guiffrida Jr., son Joseph and daughter-in-law Mara Guiffrida of Kalispell, son Phillip and daughter-in-law Michelle Guiffrida and their children Logan and Wyatt of Kalispell, sister Jean Hixson, brothers Jim and John Roen and numerous nieces and nephews.

The family will be having a celebration of life ceremony this summer. In lieu of flowers the family asks that donations be made in her name to Cancer Support Community of Kalispell or St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital.

## A. Thomas Gunn Jr., 89

A. Thomas Gunn Jr. of Somers, born Dec. 31, 1928, died of heart failure July 25, 2018.

Raised on a ranch in Lewistown, he became a professional jazz pianist, playing with the all top performers.

He served in World War II as a Navy UDT (later called the Seals) on a submarine, the Charr SS-328.

Tom is survived by his wife Hallowese Gunn, her two sons with two granddaughters Persis Anne



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No memorial service is planned, per Tom's wishes.

Tom was the only child of Dorothy Evangeline McCoy and Alfred Thomas

Gunn Sr.