

William W. Haase, 63

William W. Haase, 63, was born Oct. 29, 1954, to Shirley Haase and William X. Haase in Bay Village, Ohio.

Bill went to walk with the angels Oct. 25, 2018, after a long battle with health issues.

He enjoyed skiing Big Mountain in Whitefish, target shooting, riding his horse in the mountains, and spending time with his family and friends.

After graduating from Bay High School in 1973 he worked at U.S. Steel, then onto Florida where he had a fishing boat with his Bay Village buddies; it sunk. He became a sheriff's deputy in Monroe County, Florida, starting as a janitor and climbed the ladder to detective.

On July 23, 1978, Bill married Mary Kerr in Plantation Key, Florida. Bill went to Cleveland State University where he graduated summa cum laude in 1983. After graduating college, he worked as a sales rep at U.S. Lines in Ohio and finished his career there as Brazilian sales manager in 1987. In Miami he went to work for Del Monte Fresh in sales and rose to V.P. of North American Sales and Marketing. In 1994 moved to Whitefish and partnered up in the True Value/Ben Franklin. In 1997 he took a CEO position at Sunsweet for three years. In 2000, he became a partner in



Delicious Foods, which owned Made in Nature and Del Monte brands for

dried fruits and nuts.

He was a member of All Saints Episcopal Church in Columbia Falls.

Bill was preceded in death by his father, William X. Haase; fraternal grandparents, William and Mary Haase; and maternal grandparents, Ted and Gerti Rickert.

Bill is survived by his mother, Shirley Haase Heck; his wife, Mary K. Haase; son, Rick (Pam); daughter, Megan (Nathan); sister, Nancy (Mauricio); brother, Christian (Cathy); grandchildren, Hunter, Abby and Bryce; and numerous other family and friends.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Tobacco Valley Animal Shelter or All Saints Episcopal Church.

A memorial Service will be held at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 4, at All Saints Episcopal Church, 2048 Conn Road, Columbia Falls. A reception will follow from 3:30 to 6 p.m. at Abruzzo, 115 Central Ave., Whitefish.

Darlington Cremation and Burial is caring for Bill and his family.

Richard "Dick" E. Hader, 84

Richard "Dick" E. Hader, 84, passed away Sunday, Oct. 7, 2018, in Kalispell.

He was born on Jan. 8, 1934, in Chester, Montana, to S.E. "Bud" and Florence Hader. Dick's family later moved to Newport, Washington, and eventually settled in Kalispell where he graduated from Flathead High School in 1953.

Dick served his country honorably in the Army from 1954 to 1956 at Fort Huachuca, Arizona. A previous marriage in 1959 to Betty Hull relocated him from Kalispell to Vancouver, Washington, where he raised his three children. Dick was blessed to return back to his beloved Flathead Valley after nearly 30 years. He was a master union carpenter in Washington, Oregon and Montana until his retirement following the completion of the Kalispell Center Mall.

Dick was first and foremost an American patriot and passionate about maintaining the ideals of our nation's forefathers. He was also an avid outdoorsman, horseman and cattleman and couldn't spend enough time outside in his various pursuits in the woods or on his ranch. He loved tinkering on home projects, and tending to his large garden. His spirit will shine down upon Big Sky country, from the beautiful Sweet Grass Hills to the wonders of



Glacier National Park and all the spectacular mountain scenery surrounding him he absolutely cher-

ished. He also equally enjoyed spending nearly 30 years as a member of the Kalispell Eagles Club with his tight knit community of friends, especially on the dance floor!

He was preceded in death by his parents, brother Mickey Hader, sisters Betty Lou Kenaston and Vickie Hader, and grandson Ryan Mayer.

Dick is survived by his sister, Dorothy Berger, of Kalispell; son, Wade Hader, of Richland, Washington; son, Curt Hader, of Washougal, Washington; and daughter, Wendy Mayer, of Vancouver. He was a wonderful grandfather and great-grandfather to nine and six children, respectively. He is also survived by loving nieces and nephews. Finally, he is survived by his true love, Judy Perry, who kept him smiling, laughing and dancing until his passing.

A celebration of Dick's wonderful life will be held at the Kalispell Eagles Club at noon on Saturday, Oct. 20. A luncheon will follow the celebration.

Harold Edward Hagadone, 85

Harold Edward Hagadone, 85, passed away on Saturday, Aug. 25, 2018, at his home in Kalispell.

Harold was born on June 23, 1933, in Culbertson to Myron and Evelyn (Hancock) Hagadone.

Harold is survived by his children, Ken and wife Trena of Leesbury, Georgia, Mary Degg of Spokane, Lloyd and wife

Kathy of Eureka; four sisters, six grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

As per Harold's wishes there will be no services. Friends are encouraged to visit the website, www.buffalohill-fh.com, to leave notes of condolence for the family. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for the family.

Norman Eugene Hagen, 81

Norman Eugene Hagen, 81, passed away peacefully on ec. 11, 2018, in Columbia Falls at home with his wife, Mary Ann, by his side.

Norm was born Dec. 15, 1936, in Plentywood to Carl and Ella Hagen. Norman lived in Dooley with siblings

Inez, Chester, Kerel, and Dean. His father passed away when Norman was young, and his mother continued to raise the family on her own. Later Ella married a family friend, Niels Jensen, and moved to his farm. Norman had fond memories of his farm life, attending Dooley

School and the local church. He later moved to Plentywood with his mother and stepfather, and it was there that he met his lifelong friend, Randy Vogel. Norm graduated from Plentywood School in 1955 and attended Eastern Montana College graduating with a business degree.

Norman spent many summers farming with his brother Chester. It was during this time that he met Mary Ann Hanson of Westby. They were married Dec. 20, 1958, and both attended Eastern Montana University.



active at Our Savior's

Lutheran Church and in the Lion's Club.

While helping people in the Flood of 1964, Norman was hired as a ranger at Glacier National Park, a job he dearly loved. He worked summers for years, only taking time off to get his master's degree in education at Montana State University.

In retirement, Norman worked for Melby's Home Interiors and built and remodeled homes with his brother, Dean. Norm and Mary Ann spent time in Arizona, traveled to Minnesota and other places with family and friends.

Norman was thankful for the many medical professionals that cared for him during his illness. He was able to remain at home with the continued support of family and friends that were always nearby to help. Special thanks to constant caregivers, Gina Baker and Melissa Synder.

Norman and his brother, Kerel, purchased a Tastee Freez in Poplar and ran it for two summers before Norman accepted a teaching job at Lockwood School in Billings.

Norman had a love of cars and took immaculate care of them. Upon selling the Tastee Freez, he had the choice of buying his dream car (T-Bird) or putting a down payment on a house. His choice allowed the purchase of a duplex that they shared with Norm's mother. Norman's love of cars continued, and Mary never knew what car to look for when Norm came to pick her up after school.

In 1963 Norman and Mary moved to Columbia Falls where Norman taught many different ages but settled in the business department of Columbia Falls High School. He enjoyed coaching football, managing the concession stands and selling tickets at sporting events. Norman was

Norman was preceded in death by his parents, Carl and Ella Hagen, Niels Jensen, siblings Chester (Phyllis) Hagen, Inez (Guy) Ault, Kerel (Maripat) Hagen, niece Judy, nephew Curtis, and son-in-law Craig Pickard.

He is survived by his wife, Mary Ann, his children and grandchildren Brett, Lisa, Lexie, and Blake Hagen, Todd, Susan and Jacob Hagen, and Marna, Anna and Will Pickard, brother Dean (Clariss) Hagen and numerous nieces and nephews whom he dearly loved.

Norman will be remembered as a kind, gentle man who had a genuine love for people. His legacy will live on through his children and grandchildren.

Services will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 15, at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Columbia Falls.

Memorials can be made to Our Savior's Lutheran Church, P.O. Box 2770, Columbia Falls, Montana 59912.

Rita V. Hagen, 93

Rita Hagen, 93, passed away peacefully Friday, June 8, 2018, at 5:38 a.m. at Timber Creek Village in Columbia Falls.

Services will be held at 10 a.m. on Friday, June 15, at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home in Kalispell, with graveside services following at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

Rita Veronica (Kok) Hagen was born March 31, 1925, near Plaza, North Dakota, to Barbara (Thuringer) Kok and Louis Kok. Rita was the fourth born of eight children and grew up on the family farm. She left home at age 14 to attend high school in Minot, North Dakota, at St. Leo's. Immediately after high school, Rita and her sister Dorothy (Kok) Senner jumped on the train to work in the ship yards as "Rosie the Riveter" welders in Seattle.

Later in life, she met and married Donald K. Hagen in October 1957 and the couple made their home in Great Falls. They were blessed with one son, Timothy Donald Hagen, in August 1959. Rita and Don owned and operated Great Falls Mr. Klean for 35 years. Following retirement, the couple moved to Kalispell and remained here for the rest of their lives.

Rita was preceded in



death by her mother and father, Barbara and Louis Kok; her husband of 55 years, Donald

K. Hagen; her brothers, John, Al and Ray Kok; and her sisters, Dorothy (Kok) Senner and Genevieve (Kok) Toole.

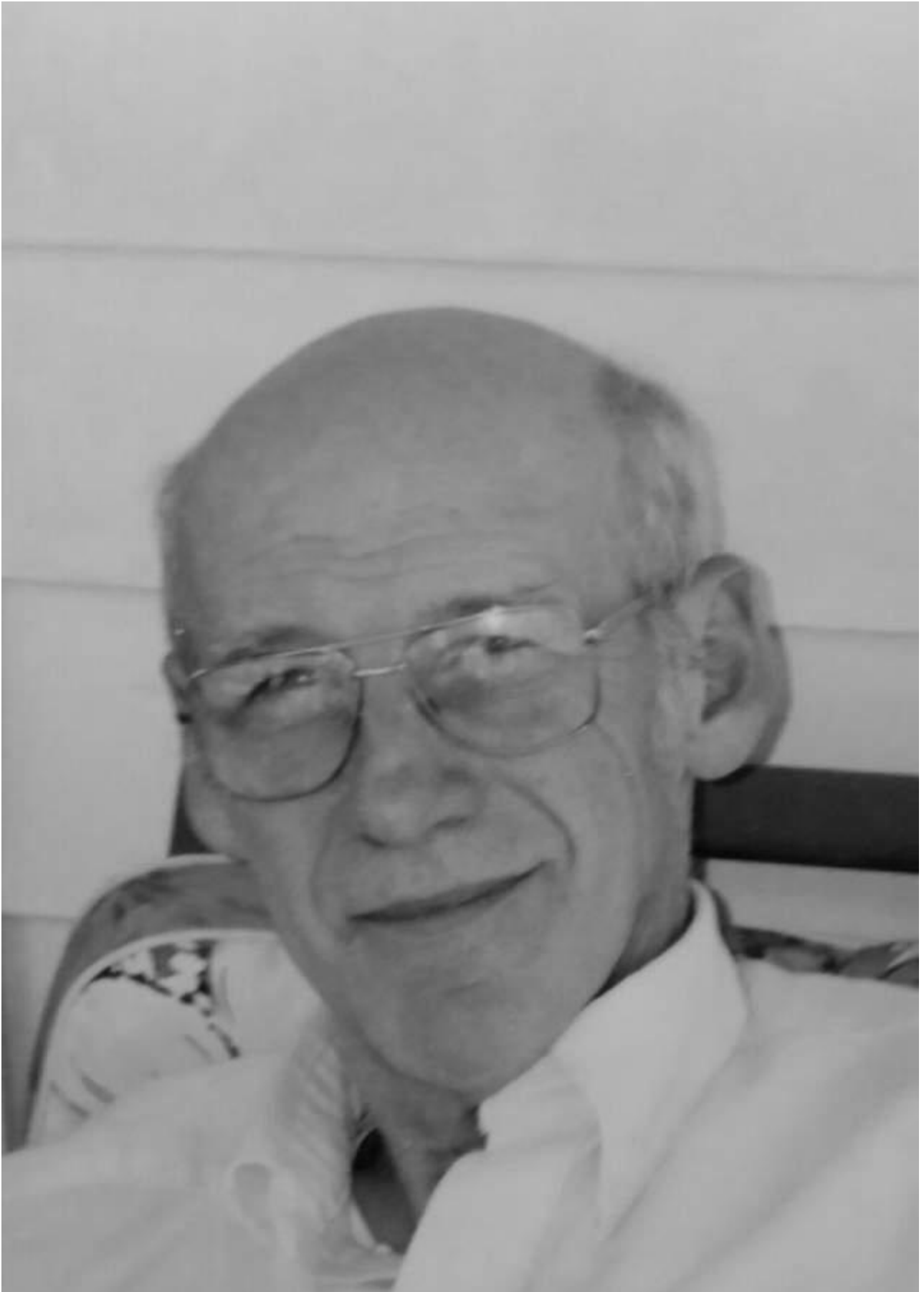
She is survived by her son, Timothy (Bev) Hagen, from Havre; grandchildren, Ashley (Darin) Pankratz from Richland, Montana, and Jordan Hagen from Havre; as well as three great-grandchildren, Hannah, Gavin and Kash Pankratz; and two siblings, Margaret "Marge" (Kok) Keith from Columbia Falls and Robert (Nita) Kok from Plaza.

Being from a large family, Rita has many special nieces, nephews and people in her life that she leaves behind. Rita had a love for kids, laughter, card games and fun. Any desired donations should be to any organization that makes a positive impact on kids.

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KENNETH DALE HAIR, 80

June 24, 2018 at 5:00 am |



Ken was born in Tekoa, Washington, on Jan. 6, 1938, to Carl and Virginia Hair and “went to be with Jesus and his beloved wife” on June 13, 2018, after a long battle with COPD.

He grew up in Cheney, Washington, and upon graduating from high school studied business for one year, then electronics for an additional year prior to enlisting in the Marine Corps Reserves. He served six years in the Aircraft Wing where he became a mechanic for the early jet fighters.

Ken moved to Great Falls where he worked for the Burroughs Corporation as a business machine technician, traveling regionally to service customer’s equipment. It was there that he met Letha Matthews, whom he married and helped raise her son Bob. Soon after marriage they adopted two lovely infant daughters, Teresa and Debra. Following his divorce to Letha, Ken moved to Kalispell where he met the love of his life and best friend, June Croymans, whom he married in 1974, helping raise her children, Ed and Angi. In Kalispell, he spent 16 years as an offset pressman, working for Trippet’s Printing, nine years as fleet mechanic for the Coca-Cola Bottling Company, several years servicing machines for Ace Amusement, then 13 years as floor manager for Zauner’s Ace Hardware prior to retirement.

Ken loved serving and devoted 21 years to the Smith Valley Volunteer Fire Department where he made many friends and served in various capacities. He was an avid amateur astronomer and was active in the Big Sky Astronomy Club for over 10 years.

Ken had an amazing mechanical aptitude, was very gifted with his hands, skilled in metal fabrication, woodworking, electrical and auto repair. He was the guy everyone brought their broken whatever to for him to fix, and he most always did.

Ken was a positive man, lived life in every situation with his glass always half-full and joyful, always quick to smile and lift everyone’s spirits. Right to the end of his days, he teased and joked with his nurses and family.

He is survived by one sister, Patricia Byrne, of Gresham, Oregon; brother, Robert Hair, of Puyallup, Washington; and children, Debra Banzet of Oregonia, Ohio, Teresa Gregory of Kalispell, Angi Jensen of Kalispell, and Ed Croymans of Kalispell.

He was preceded in death by parents Carl and Virginia Hair, wife June, and a brother Laddie Hair.

His memorial service is yet to be determined and will be announced.

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Russell Edward Halaas, 92

Russell Edward Halaas, 92, of Cheney, Washington, formerly of Kalispell and Moorhead, Minnesota, died Sunday, Jan. 28, 2018, after a brief illness, in Mesa, Arizona.

Russell "Rusty" was born Jan. 2, 1926, in Nordmore Township, Foster County, North Dakota, the son of Ralph and Minnie (Schwandt) Halaas. He was baptized and confirmed at Kvernes Lutheran Church in rural Carrington.

After graduating from Carrington High School in 1943, Russell worked at the Boeing Aircraft Company in Seattle. He enlisted in the U.S. Army and served as a technical sergeant with the military government during the occupation of Japan. Following his military service, Rusty enrolled at Concordia College, Moorhead, graduating in 1948.

On June 26, 1949, Russell married Mary Helen Brenden at Scobey Lutheran Church in Scobey, Montana. After two years at Luther Theological Seminary, they moved to Scobey, where Rusty managed the Brenden Company Furniture store. A year later, they moved back to St. Paul, Minnesota, where he completed his studies at Luther Theological Seminary.

Rusty was ordained as a pastor of the Evangelical Lutheran Church (later the American Lutheran Church, and now the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America). He first served congregations in Montana: Christ, Big Sandy; Faith, Box Elder; St. Paul, Missoula; and St. Paul, Cut Bank. Rusty was next called to serve



the ALC Division for Youth Activity in Palo Alto, California, and Minneapolis.

Following his work at the church-wide offices, Rusty started two

mission congregations: Holy Trinity, Dingmans Ferry, Pennsylvania; and Northridge, Kalispell.

In 1983, Rusty was called to serve as the executive director of C-400 at Concordia College. During his years there, Rusty was known as a passionate ambassador for Concordia by hosting national speakers, throwing numerous parties across the region, and raising money, awareness and excitement for Concordia's mission. Following retirement, Rusty and Mary Helen enjoyed life in Kalispell at their Ashley Lake cabin, and at Casa de Paz in Mesa, Arizona.

Rusty loved God, was a radical follower of Jesus, and a prophetic voice for justice in the church and world. Rusty always made room in the church for people on the margins. Many Lutherans, young and old, were touched by his energy, humor and insights as he traveled the country helping leaders connect and listen to youth, especially at national Lutheran youth gatherings.

Rusty loved his family — his wife, his children and their spouses, his grandchildren and great-grandchildren, and extended family children

and grandchildren.

Rusty loved people, and was blessed with the gifts of exuberant hospitality, humor, artistic talent and abundant creativity.

Rusty loved life ... and antique toys, fishing, the North Dakota prairies, the Montana wheat fields and mountains, celebrations of all kinds, and planning his own birthday parties.

Rusty loved community ... and was actively involved in many community organizations: Lions, Toastmasters and Rotary International. Pastor Rusty was instrumental in starting Little League in Cut Bank, and a rural ambulance service in the Poconos of northeast Pennsylvania. In his later years, when asked how he was doing, his reply was always an immediate "Grateful!"

He is loved and survived by his wife, Mary Helen; and children, the Rev. Mark (and Dr. Gwen) Halaas of West Fargo, North Dakota; the Rev. David (and the Rev. Lorna) Halaas of Sioux City, Iowa; the Rev. John (and Rebecca) Hulden of Taylors Falls,

Minnesota; and Dr. Beth (and Rob Driscoll) Halaas of Cheney, Washington; grandchildren, Katie (Chris), Per (Emily), Joseph (Andrew), Liv (Andrew), Erik (Mallory), Maren (John), Brian, Carl (Vincent), Britta, Jens, Audrey, and Robert; great-grandchildren, Isaac, Elliot, Anelise, Bror, Casper, Adrian and August; and many relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his siblings, Arthur, Lillian and Wallace; and his in-laws, Casper and Mildred Brenden.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be shared with Concordia College, Luther Seminary, or the Montana Synod ELCA Fund for Leaders in Mission.

The funeral service for Rusty Halaas was held Feb. 10 at Trinity Lutheran Church, Moorhead. Rusty will be buried at Prairie Home Cemetery, Moorhead.

Arrangements are by Wright Funeral Home. View a video tribute and online guestbook at www.wrightfuneral.com

Martin Ray Hale, 81

Our loving father, grandfather, great-grandfather and friend Martin Ray Hale, 81, passed away Sunday July 8th, 2018 in Columbia Falls, Montana of natural causes. He went peacefully surrounded by his daughters and their families.

Martin was born on Feb. 25, 1937, in Whitefish, Montana, to Arnold and Ann Hale. He was the oldest of three children. Martin graduated from Whitefish High School in 1955. He then went on to have four children of his own.

Martin spent the majority of his life up on Big Mountain both with the ski school as well as the ski shop. Martin eventually took over the operations from Karl Hinderman in 1972 and ran the business until retiring in 1995, totaling over 40 years on the mountain. Martin never let hard work slow him



down and was always present with a smile on his face greeting all with "Nice Day." As

much as he loved working, Martin had a special place in his heart and a passion for providing opportunities so that kids could ski and enjoy what the sport had to offer.

When Martin was not up on Big Mountain, you could find him hunting and flying his floatplane, as well as serving as president of the Montana Sea Plane Association.

During his skiing career, he was the Junior National Champion of Alpine and Cross Country. He was also a two year state champion in track during high school. Martin became head coach for the Junior racing team in 1957-

1971. He started the ski race program in 1972. Martin was inducted into the Hall of Fame for Whitefish High School and also inducted into the Hall of Fame for the Whitefish Ski Heritage Museum.

Martin followed his kids and grandkids through their school career with their sports and academic achievements.

Martin is survived by his daughter Naomi Hager of Whitefish, son Alrick Hale and Sherri of Whitefish; son Toni Hale and Kim of Gig Harbor, Wash.; daughter Nanci Nicholson and Rob of Whitefish; grandchildren Ashley Nadeau and Erik, Justin Pacheco and Katie, Marni Kirkemo and Chris, Kalin Hale, Spencer Hale, Ryder Hale, Keaton Nicholson and Rebekah, and Haley Nicholson; great-grandchildren Wyatt Nadeau,

Clayton Nadeau and Mattea Kirkemo.

He was preceded in death by his grandson Hunter Martin Hale, his parents Arnold and Ann Hale, his sister Sandi Unger and Tom, and sister Sydney Watson.

A memorial service will be held at 4 p.m. Sunday, July 29, 2018 at Christ Lutheran Church in Whitefish. Darlington Cremation and Burial Service is caring for Martin's family.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests contributions to the Martin Hale Youth Scholarship Fund. This scholarship will keep Martin's spirit alive by again providing opportunities for kids to ski for years to come. Contributions can be made out to FVSEF (Flathead Valley Ski Education Foundation), PO Box 623, Whitefish, MT 59937.

Alma Hall, 98

Alma Hall, 98, of Libby, passed away in early April at her home along Flower Creek. She was born to Olav and Clara Gjesdal in Divide County, North Dakota in 1919.

As a prairie girl, Alma often rode her horse to school. After finishing her education, she became a teacher in a nearby one-room schoolhouse. Another of Alma's jobs after high school was working at the soda fountain in Fortuna, North Dakota. A young railroad worker took a shine to her, but his attention was not returned. According to Alma's late sister-in-law, Helen, wife of Edward, the young fellow was persistent and after the third or fourth box of candy, was rewarded with a date. Alma and Alfred (Dutchie) Lethrud were married in 1941 and after their son Steven was born in Crosby, the family moved to Bonners Ferry, Idaho where their son Robert was born in 1943.

Sadly, Dutchie was killed in a logging accident and Alma and her two sons moved to



Spokane for a time before returning to eastern Montana, where Alma cared for

her mother, who had broken a hip. She and the boys moved back to Bonners Ferry, where Alma worked at the bank. She was quite pleased to write to her parents to tell them that "the snow in Idaho tends to gather on the fences rather than blow off as it does in West Dakota." Andrew Christofferson, a friend from Westby, joined them in Bonners Ferry and Alma and Andrew were married in 1948. Their son Brian was born in 1951 and their daughter Julie was born in 1957. Andrew and Alma divorced. In 1961 she married BV "Bill" Hall and the family moved to Ft. Smith, Montana, where Yellowtail Dam was being built.

The family moved in 1963 to Sweet Home, Oregon, where Alma was a teller in a local bank. In

1966, the family moved to Eureka, Montana, where Alma worked in the high school library. Alma and her husband started the Eureka Radiator shop and in 1978, they moved to Libby, where they owned and operated Canyon Radiators for a number of years. Alma worked part-time at the Venture Inn as the night clerk. Had she won the election for the District 21 seat in the Montana Legislature in 1982, she promised that she would have tried to change the property tax structure to provide an incentive for homeowners and businesses to improve their property. Beyond her love for her friends and family, Alma enjoyed painting, quilting and the joy of life in her lovely home that she helped to design.

Alma is survived by her brother Edward in Washington; son Steven in Libby, son Robert (Patty) in Libby, son Brian (Trish) in Panama; daughter Julie in Oregon; stepdaughter, Shirley in Bonners Ferry; 18 grandchildren, 37 great-grandchildren and

many nieces, nephews and extended family.

Alma was preceded in death by her parents; brothers, Carl, Harold, Albert, Ottar and Richard; and her husbands.

The family is grateful for your condolences. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to the Kootenai Karacters Scholarship Fund at 95 Highwood Drive, Libby 59923 or a charity of your choice. Arrangements are by Schnackenberg & Nelson Funeral Home in Libby. Online condolences and memories may be shared at www.schnackenbergfh.com.

A family memorial will be held at Grandview Cemetery in Bonners Ferry during the summer of 2018.

Eugene Ewalt Hamann, 87

Eugene Ewalt Hamann, 87, died Dec. 18, 2018, at the Montana Veterans Home in Columbia Falls.

Gene was born in Farmington Township, Minnesota, on Nov. 3, 1931. He and his four siblings Alden, Doris, Dwayne, and Ardell, moved to and grew up in Libby. He graduated from Libby High School and then enlisted in the U.S. Navy. During that time, he served in the Korean War and years later received medals for his service.

After the war, Gene came back to Montana to attend Montana State University in Bozeman to get his bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering in 1961.

During his time in college, he married Beverly Jean Johnson in a double ring ceremony with his sister Doris and her spouse Kim. They all married on June 22, 1958. Not too long after, Gene and Beverly adopted three children together: David, Diane, and Jamie. He then went on to work in construction and lumber production until he retired in the late 1980s. He and his family moved numerous times for his career. The two most notable places they lived were Roseburg, Oregon, and Kalispell, where they settled down for the



rest of his life.

During his life, Gene was an avid hunter, fisherman, coffee drinker, and liked to work in his garage. In his spare

time he loved to spend time with his family, especially his grandchildren, friends, and anyone with a good story and some hot coffee.

Gene is preceded in death by his mother, Esther; father, Herbert; and his siblings: Alden, Doris, Dwayne, and Ardell.

Gene is survived by his children and their families. David lives in Pasco, Washington, with his wife Rosemary; Diane lives in Billings, with her husband Roy; and Jamie lives in Kalispell, with his wife Lori. Gene is survived by his grandchildren: Patty, Andrew, Travis, Tyler, Alex, and Ashley. He is also survived by his numerous great-grandchildren and nieces and nephews.

The memorial for Gene will be determined at a later date but is tentatively planned in the spring of 2019.

Helen Lucille Hopkins Hansen, 97

Helen Lucille Hopkins Hansen was born to Harold and Abbie (Cooper) Hopkins at home in Swan River on June 29, 1920, and passed away at the age of 97 in Kalispell on Monday, April 2, 2018.

She was preceded in death by her husband William "Bill" Hansen who passed away in 1989, her brother Harold (Evelyn) Hopkins, and her sisters Dorothy Olson, Sandra Hopkins, Louise (Willis) Vance and Darlene (Ralph) Robinson; and grandchildren, Deborah Hansen Knutson (Kevin) and Robert Goocher.

She is survived by her sisters, Pat (Lee) Weigum, Joanne Otto and Verna Rae Hopkins. Her children in Kalispell are Royal (Tressa) Hansen, Larry (Kathy) Hansen, Muriel (Gene) Johnson and Marvin (Kathy) Hansen, and her son William "Bill" (Colleen) Hansen in Wasilla, Alaska. She is also survived by 10 grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren.

Helen was raised in Swan River and Bigfork, attending Bigfork High School and often swimming across Bigfork Bay from her family home to downtown with her sisters.

Helen and Bill raised their family in Woods Bay, and spent sum-

mers running logging camps in remote places like Thompson Falls, Rexford and the North Fork. Helen cooked for the whole crew and on more than one occasion had to shoot a bear that was looking for food in camp. In 1964 they moved to Alaska and she lived in North Pole, until she returned to Montana in 2012.

Helen loved quilting and gifted many quilts to all her relatives throughout the years, which are still treasured by her grandchildren. She also loved crafts of all kinds; sewing Barbie doll clothes for her granddaughters and doing ceramics in Alaskan clay. She spent her time making fireweed honey, gardening and going on fishing trips to Swede Lake with her family.

A viewing will be held from 10 a.m. to noon on Monday, April 9, at Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home, followed by a graveside service to be held at 1 p.m. at the Lone Pine Cemetery in Bigfork.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to the Lone Pine Cemetery Association, P.O.Box 14, Bigfork, MT 59911, or the donor's preferred charity.

Please visit www.jgfuneralhome.com to leave condolences for the family. Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for the family.

Allen Hanson, 67

Allen Hanson was born in Kalispell on Sept. 3, 1950, to Richard and Josephine Hanson.

He passed away on March 28, 2018, after a courageous battle with a brain tumor.

Allen was the fifth child of eight. He went to Mt. View School and Marion School before attending Flathead High. He went on to receive a two-year degree in forestry and surveying from Flathead Valley Community College.

In 1971 he joined Kinniburgh Brothers Inc., as a sawyer and a skidder operator, eventually buying into the company.

After selling the company, Allen proceeded to work as a welder for Plum Creek.

On March 11, 1972, Allen married the love of his life, Sherian Kinniburgh. They just celebrated their 46th anniversary.

They had three children, Crystal, Brian and Sandy.

Allen had several hobbies in the form of woodworking, renovation projects, hunting with his son and fishing with

his grandsons. Even when he was busy, Allen always took the time to help others in their time of need.

He is survived by his wife Sherian, his children, Crystal Hanson, Brian and Jen Hanson, and Sandy and Dan Engeland; grandsons, Ian Hanson, Brice Hanson, Colton Engeland and Corbin Engeland, and granddaughter Zoe Bruce. He is also survived by two sisters, Carol Slaybaugh and Janet Hanson, and one brother Richard Hanson, as well as many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Allen was a father figure to his nieces, always taking the time to talk with them and he was genuinely interested in how they were doing and what they were up to.

He leaves a huge void in the lives of his sisters, wife, children and grandchildren.

There will be a viewing at 1 p.m. on Friday, April 6, followed by the funeral service at 2 p.m., which will take place at Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home in Kalispell.

Ilene (Hinerman) Hanson, 81

Ilene (Hinerman) Hanson, 81, passed away peacefully in her sleep on May 26, 2018, in Kalispell.

She was born on Nov. 5, 1936, in Glasgow to William and Anne (Garble) Hinerman of Larslon, Montana.

Ilene attended grade school in a one-room schoolhouse in Larslon and completed high school in Nashua, Montana.

She met her loving husband and best friend, Jim Hanson, in 1960 on the shore of Flathead Lake. They married in Idaho in 1962. In 1966, they had a beautiful daughter, La Mona Lee. La Mona settled in the San Diego area and then returned in 2011 to loving care for Ilene.

Throughout her life, Ilene was active in many farming activities with her husband, Jim. Together they bought farmland in the KM Ranch community, where they cleared the land and farmed it. Ilene was a leader in 4-H and she loved sports. She played softball, golf and was an avid bowler, winning many trophies. She loved the LA Lakers and was a personal friend of Phil Jackson. She was a hard worker and retired from Wells Fargo after 37 years.

Ilene was preceded in death by her mother



and father; sister, Ethel (Hinerman) Maki; and sister-in-law, Peggie Hinerman.

She is survived by her husband of 55 years, Jim Hanson; daughter, La Mona Hanson; two brothers, William Hinerman, and her twin, Samuel Hinerman; two sisters, Alice and Norma Jean; sister-in-law, Lenore Hinerman; two brothers-in-law, Lloyd Maki and Bruce Grossman; nieces, nephews and many cousins and friends.

She will be forever missed as a loving, caring wife and soul mate, mother, sister and friend. We love you, Mom.

There will be a visitation from 5 to 8 p.m. on June 1 at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home, with a graveside committal service to be held at noon on Saturday, June 2, at Glacier Memorial Gardens in Kalispell.

A celebration of life will be held at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, June 27, at Stillwater Free Lutheran Church in Kalispell.

Friends are encouraged to visit the website, www.buffalohillfh.com, to leave notes of condolence for the family. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for the family.

Betty Lucille Hill Hanzel, 81

Betty Lucille Hill Hanzel was born in Great Falls to Rose and Art Hill on March 18, 1937.

She was welcomed into eternal life on Aug. 12, 2018.

She is survived by her adoring husband, Laney Hanzel; her children, Duane (Margaret) Hanzel, Gregg (Debora) Hanzel and Beth (Mark) Pirrie; son-in-law, Michael Hensler; her brothers, Art (Shirley) Hill and Bill (Butsey) Hill; and her grandchildren, Lane Hanzel, Gavin Pirrie, Olivia Hanzel, Ellie Hanzel, Grace Pirrie, Hanna Hanzel, and Ganten Pirrie; as well as many close nieces, nephews and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her daughter, Gwenn Hensler.

Betty married Delano "Laney" Hanzel and the two moved to Kalispell in 1959. Betty taught school at Evergreen Elementary for a short period of time and then devoted her teaching full time to her first love, piano. She actively taught piano lessons for over 65 years. She touched the lives of over 1,200 students through the piano. Betty used her skill and love of the piano to perform, accompany, worship and teach. Teaching "lessons of life" along with the piano was her gift to her students. While classical music was certainly a love, Betty also loved country tunes. Music followed her everywhere.

Her love of family was evident to everyone who met her. Her ability to support and encourage her husband, kids, grandkids and friends made her a nurturer of people. She made sure to attend every possible event and performance; sporting,



musical, academic and otherwise! Her love of nature and wild-life within God's creation allowed her to become an avid gardener and green thumb. Betty's faith was unwavering; not just her faith in God and the church, but in the lives of her husband, family and the many lives she has touched throughout her life. Always willing to open her house and make others feel at home and part of the family, she would add to her extended family. Enjoying life through playing games such as Mexican Train or 5000, along with singing and dancing were all a part of her interactions with others. Times with her family laughing and giggling until tears flowed were common place. A vanilla frosty was her cherished treat with each bite better than the last. Sharing her gifts of sewing and tatting with her granddaughters produced many a masterpiece.

A compassionate person and devout Catholic, Betty was always willing to make herself available to help others in their time of need. Her put together nature produced a classy, polite, disciplined and loving person that truly was thankful for the life given to her. She gave glory to God throughout her life and relied on His guidance in navigating both the good and difficult times in her full life.

Betty will always be remembered as a true master of cursive writing, with even a simple grocery list showcasing her beautiful handwriting.

The change of seasons was a pleasure for her as they showcased the cycles of life and nature, with countless memorable trips and picnics to Glacier Park always leaning to the high side on the Going-to-the-Sun Highway. Special meaning in her family is given to the words "double batch," which has produced some of the best desserts/meals they have ever shared. It is with extreme sadness on one hand that we say goodbye to this brave soul, and extreme joy on the other, that we are secure in the knowledge that she now rests with her Creator and Comforter in a place without pain and everlasting joy. Thank you, Mom

and Nana, for giving us the best of your best in making our lives full.

A rosary for Betty will begin at 11 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 16, followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at 12:10 p.m., both at St. Matthew's Catholic Church in Kalispell.

The family suggests memorial donations be made to either St. Matthew's Catholic Church or St. Matthew's School.

James R. Harkins, 85

James (Jim, Jimmy, Pops, Papa), R. Harkins passed away on Friday, Oct. 19, 2018, at his home in Martin City, with his best friend and wife of 52 years, Midge, and family at his side.

Jim was born on Aug. 8, 1943, to Harold and Margaret Harmon Harkins in Tacoma, Washington. He was the second of four children, older brother Gary and younger brother and sister, Dan and Maureen. He grew up in Snohomish, and graduated from Snohomish High School in 1961. From there he went to Gonzaga University in Spokane to earn his education degree, working his way through school as an oiler on the inland freighters of Puget Sound during his summer months. Jim would later earn a master's degree in counseling from Arizona State University.

It was in Spokane that he met his wife, Margaret (Midge) Foley, of Martin City. Jim and Midge were married in June of 1966, and Jim soon began his career in education, working as a teacher, and then counselor in Bellevue, Washington for six years before moving his family back to Snohomish to begin working with his father in the family store, Harmon's, in 1972. Jim eventually took over the store until it closed in 1988. Jim then went on to become a real estate agent until he retired and moved with



Midge to Montana in 2003.

Jim loved to spend time with his friends and family and

will best be remembered as a great son, husband, father, grandfather and friend. Everyone who knew him respected him for his honesty and integrity, enjoyed his wonderful sense of humor, and loved him for his genuine compassion and friendship. Jim also loved to be outside, whether that be fishing in Puget Sound, hunting pheasants in Eastern Washington, or hunting in Montana for deer and grouse with his friends and family.

Jim is survived by his wife, his three children, and his eight grandchildren, Midge Harkins of Martin City, Jim's wife of 52 years; son Mark Harkins, his wife Christy, and their sons, Colton, Kyler and Caden of Kalispell; daughter Mary Thompson, her husband Kirk, and their daughters, Emily, Anna and Ruthie, of Stuttgart, Germany; and son Mike Harkins, his wife Alyson, and their children Natalie and Sam of Snohomish.

Jim's family would like to thank their wonderful friends, family, and the communities of the Flathead Valley, Paradise, Montana, and Snohomish for their amazing outpouring of kindness and support. They would also

like to thank his doctors, nurse Renee Byrd, and all of his excellent caregivers at Home Options Hospice for the incredible care and comfort they showed Jim and his family. God bless you all.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, Oct. 26, at Buffalo Hill Funeral home in Kalispell, with a reception following at Midge and Jim's residence in

Martin City. An additional celebration of Jim's life and interment of his remains at GAR cemetery will be held in Snohomish in the summer of 2019.

Friends are encouraged to visit our website at www.buffalohillfh.com to leave notes of condolences for the family. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home and Crematory caring for the family.

Gerald Wallace 'Jerry' Harmon, 75

Jerry Harmon, formerly of Whitefish, a certified public accountant, left this world and entered into the joy of the Lord at 6:37 p.m., Monday, Oct. 22, 2018, at his home in Clovis, California, at the age of 75. Jerry's last breaths were centered on his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, whom he loved and followed for the past 48 years. He often would say he was the most blessed man on earth because he knew Jesus. Although his body failed, his spirit soared as he knew he was going to meet the Lord soon.

Jerry is survived by his beloved wife, Judy, of 55 years; sons, Jeff and wife Wardeh, and Jeremy and wife Sara; and daughter, Jennifer



and husband Paul; along with five grandchildren and one great-grandson.

A celebration of life service will be held at 11 a.m. on Monday, Oct. 29, at Faith Community Church of the Nazarene, 430 Peach Avenue, Clovis, CA 93612.

Charitable contributions may be sent to Hinds Hospice, 2490 W. Shaw Avenue, Fresno, CA 93711.

Services are being held under the direction of Whitehurst, Sullivan, Burns & Blair Funeral Home, Fresno, California.

Thomas 'T' Michael Harper, 66

Thomas "T" Michael Harper, 66, of Kalispell, passed away peacefully on Nov. 16, 2018, surrounded by his loving family, at HealthCenter Northwest following a brief illness.

Tom was born May 16, 1952, to Nancy and Charles "Tom" Harper in Columbus, Ohio. Tom graduated from Saint Agatha School and Jones Junior High School, then went on to graduate from Upper Arlington High School in 1970. "T" then attended Ohio State University, majoring in biology.

In his youth, "T" enjoyed playing baseball as an all-star catcher and loved visiting Lake Erie with his brother, Bob. His father, along with lifelong friend and mentor Andy Smith, taught him many of the construction skills that he used throughout his career as a general contractor. "T" always enjoyed fishing with his father, Tom, and they also shared a love of flying airplanes. "T" spent time watching NCAA basketball tournaments with his mother, Nancy, and they shared a love of golf.

In August 1974, "T" married Sue Williams. They dreamt of living in a cabin in the mountains and moved to Montana in September of 1974. Living off-grid for several years at Mountain Meadows, they were surrounded by wildlife. "T" and Sue enjoyed backpacking in and around Glacier National Park, and together they relished countless adventures in life.



for wood-working with many.

Tom was a dedicated softball coach with Kalispell Youth

Softball Association for years. In 1994, Tom founded the Glacier Emeralds girls' fast-pitch softball team. The travel team enabled many athletes, including both his daughters, to play summer ball throughout the northwest. In 2002, after taking second place at nationals, Tom proudly retired from coaching.

"T" was always a big fan of the Upper Arlington Golden Bears, Ohio State Buckeyes, Cincinnati Reds, and, above all else, the Montana Grizzlies. He loved listening to Mick Holien call the Griz games on the radio... "Touchdown Montana!"

"T" spent much of his life in the grandeur that was his backyard. He became especially fond of the South Fork of the Flathead; nothing could really top fishing and floating that river in his book. He appreciated the solitude of wilderness, campfires, wildflowers and spending time on horse back in Big Sky Country. He loved camping, fishing the Spotted Bear River and taking his daughters hunting.

"T" will be lovingly remembered by Sue, his wife of 44 years; his mother, Nancy B. (Harper) Simeon and brother

In 1978, "T" and Sue welcomed their first daughter, Shannon, and in 1983, their second daughter, Kelly. They moved down into the valley and spent the next 33 years living on the Flathead river. "T" loved living on beautiful Foy's Bend, building bonfires with good friends and sitting on the back porch enjoying the view.

Tom became one of the finest builders in the Flathead. Working alongside his close friend and favorite nail pounding buddy, Dan Boon, they built many custom homes throughout the valley. Tom's attention to detail and quality of workmanship shone through from the ground up, especially in his top-of-the-line cabinetry and finish carpentry. Tom was always willing to lend a hand. He was an outstanding mentor and shared his knowledge and passion

Bob (Ginny) Harper, Columbus, Ohio; his daughters, Shannon (Ryan) Donaldson of Columbia Falls and Kelly (Alen) Shults of Livingston; his grandsons Chandan, Bridger, Emmet and Skylar Donaldson and Rylen Shults.

A celebration of his life will be held Tuesday, Nov. 20th from 6-8 p.m. at Darlington Cremation and Burial Service, 3408 U.S. Highway 2 East, Kalispell. Condolences, memories and photos can be shared at www.darlingtonfunerals.com.

The family is grateful to all the teams of professionals at Kalispell Regional Medical Center that cared for "T" and helped all of us every step of the way.

Memorial donations may be made to The Bob Marshall Wilderness Foundation, Box 190688, Hungry Horse, MT 59919, www.bmwf.org.

Giselle Antionette Haring, 94

Giselle Antionette Haring, 94, passed away April 15, 2018, at Whitefish Care.

She was born May 17, 1923, in Hungary, the daughter of a diplomat. She spent her formative years in boarding school in Switzerland following the death of her mother. Jessie endured years in the Nazi concentration camp, Ghetto Theresienstadt, where her life was spared due to her medical knowledge and valuable work in a hospital facility. Jessie's release on May 10, 1945, brought her to the beginning of a new life.

She worked, returned to school, and in a few years, made her way to Toronto where she completed a master's degree in microbiology. On a weekend trip to Chicago, she met Donald Calvin Haring, the man of her dreams. Don will always be remembered for saying, "I'll take the one with the accent." They married and settled in Lake Geneva, Wisconsin, where they raised three children (Jessie Anne, Donald Calvin, Charles Andrew). Avid interests in sailing and skiing brought the Haring family to Whitefish in 1970, where they all skied



the Big Mountain and sailed.

Jessie dedicated her life to volunteer work, primarily with

North Valley Hospital Auxiliary and Whitefish Sorooptimist. She was also very active in the Big Mountain Ski Club and as a ski ambassador with the National Forest Service on Big Mountain. She was named First Lady of Whitefish and was recently inducted into the Big Mountain Heritage Foundation (Ski Hall of Fame.)

Jessie was preceded in death by her husband Don, daughter Jessie Anne, and son-in-law Dicky Deats.

She is survived by her sons, Donald Calvin Haring Jr. of Brush Prairie, Washington, (wife Martha), and Charles Andrew Haring of Whitefish; seven grandchildren, and six great-grandchildren.

Her strength, resilience and positive attitude carried her through life. You'd see a smile on her face whether she was swimming, skiing, sailing or entertaining friends. On her 80th birthday and

on a few thereafter, she went skydiving.

A celebration of her life will be held this summer in Whitefish.

The family requests in lieu of flowers, please make a donation to the Humane Society of Northwest Montana in Jessie's name.

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

William A. 'Bill' Harris, 75

William A. "Bill" Harris, 75, of Kalispell, passed away peacefully at home Sept. 25, 2018.

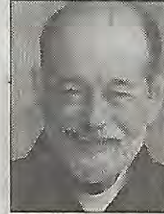
Bill was born Dec. 11, 1942, in Kalispell, to Robert and Verlie Harris.

Bill was a devoted husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather.

He was an avid fisherman, hunter and loved to play cards. Bill liked long days in the mountains and short jokes on the water. He never shied from a task, saying "When it is too tough for everybody else it's just about right for us."

Bill is survived by his loving wife and companion of 38 years, Jocelyn; his son, Robert (Diana) Harris; grandsons, Nicholas (Julia), and Jacob; as well as great-grandson, Owen.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to be made in Bill's name to the Flathead County Animal Shelter. A private service will be held for family and close



friends.

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

Theresa Harris-Powell, 53

Theresa Harris-Powell, 53, passed away on Oct. 22, 2018, in Missoula.

Theresa is survived by her mother, Wendy Hopfensperger; daughter, Heidi Vanamann (Darren); grandsons, Greyson and Maverick; sister, Jessie Williams; brothers, Michael Williams (Linda), John Williams (Heather) and Patrick Williams (Jennifer); six nieces and nephews, and multiple aunts, uncles and cousins.

Theresa was born on Aug. 20, 1965, at the Amarillo Air Force Base in Texas to Edward and Wendy Williams. After traveling with the Air Force for several years, the family settled in Door County, Wisconsin, where Theresa spent the majority of her childhood. In high school she participated in many activities including cheerleading, band, softball and volleyball. After high school, Theresa joined the United States Marine Corps and proudly served for several years as a mechanic. While in the Marines she earned the Rifle Sharpshooter Badge. She was stationed mainly at Camp Pendleton in San Diego and spent time stationed overseas in Okinawa, Japan. After her service with the Marines, Theresa traveled and eventually settled in Montana, where she welcomed her daughter Heidi into her life



she took every opportunity to spend time with her daughter, family and friends participating in adventures outdoors, including camping, fishing, hiking and tubing. Being outdoors was one of her greatest joys in life.

Theresa always possessed a very caring, giving spirit. Throughout her life she sought opportunities to help others, be it animals or humans. Theresa was very active in the church community, and routinely volunteered her time for church activities, food pantries and community events. She was readily willing to lend a helping hand to friends and strangers alike. Theresa participated multiple times in the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life, volunteered with the American Red Cross, and donated supplies to various shelters.

Theresa took great pride in her daughter Heidi and grandsons Greyson and Maverick. Her greatest joy in life was spending as much time with them as possible — visiting, playing, snuggling and going on adventures. Theresa instilled a love

she took every opportunity to spend time with her daughter, family and friends participating in adventures outdoors, including camping, fishing, hiking and tubing. Being outdoors was one of her greatest joys in life.

Growing up on a farm in Door County, Theresa developed a strong love for all animals, especially horses. Theresa spent much of her time caring for, training and showing her beloved horses, winning many trophies and ribbons. She also cared for and raised many other pets and animals on the farm. Living on the farm developed Theresa's lifelong appreciation and enjoyment of adventure and the great outdoors. Living in the mountains of Montana,

for God and family into her daughter and was very proud of the young woman she grew up to be.

A celebration of life service is scheduled for Theresa at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 3, at Hope Church, 436 Birch Grove Road, Kalispell. Full military honors will conclude the service and will be performed by the USMC Honor Guard.

In lieu of flowers, please send donations to the Missoula Food Bank and Community Center, 1720 Wyoming St, Missoula, MT 59801.

Charles A. Hartman, 85

Charles (Chuck) Anthony Hartman was "called home to be with our Lord" on March 24, 2018, at North Valley Hospital in Whitefish at the age of 85.

Chuck was born on August 28, 1932, to Oliver and Adelle Hartman in Urbank, Minnesota. He attended the country school in Urbank and the Sacred Heart Catholic School through the eighth grade, then chose to help on the farm since he was the eldest son. Chuck served in the United States Army from 1954 to 1956. After returning home from the service, Chuck had an adventurous heart and moved to Tioga, North Dakota to work in the Oil Field Service. He worked as a roughneck on an oil rig, then quickly worked his way up as foreman. In Tioga, he met the love of his life, Mary Ann Frostad. He convinced his cousin, Phil, and his girlfriend, JoAnn, to arrange a blind date with Mary Ann, and the rest was history. They dated



for four years and married on September 30, 1961.

In 1969, with three children, Greg, Shelley and Charlyn, they decided to move west where the

winters weren't so brutal and settled down in Whitefish, where their son, Garren, was born. Chuck was a devoted and loving husband and wonderful father to his four children. He was actively involved in the Boy Scouts, where he was the Scout Master for many years. He spent countless hours mentoring these boys. He showed the scouts how to build snow caves up in the mountains, which they slept in while they camped all weekend in the snow, and he also showed them how to build a fort by lashing logs together with rope. His scout troop carved

incredible snow sculptures, designed unique creative floats every year for the Winter Carnival and the list goes on.

Chuck worked at the aluminum plant and painted homes for several years. Then, from 1975 to 1995, he worked for several different oil and gas companies in Alaska, including the construction of the Trans-Alaska Pipeline. He traveled back and forth working months at a time away from his family.

Chuck had a very generous heart and always put others first. He was always ready to give and to help anyone in need. He lived for those he loved and looked for any opportunity to spend time with family and friends. He loved to dress up as Santa Claus and make surprise visits to his own children and grandchildren. He enjoyed playing Santa so much that he did it for neighbors and friends for decades. He had a great sense of humor and was an amazing storyteller.

He truly loved life and made friends with those around him. In his final years, he talked highly of his new dear friends at Glacier State Apartments in Kalispell.

He is preceded in death by his wife, Mary Ann, his daughter, Charlyn, his parents Oliver and Adelle Hartman, and his brother, Basil Hartman.

Chuck is survived by his children, Greg (Karen) Hartman, Shelley (Jim) Kellam, Garren (Jayne) Hartman; sisters, Judy (Gail) Klein, and Veronica (Larry) Jahnke; grandchildren, Beau (Carolyn) Kellam, Tyler Hartman, Josalyn Kellam, Jordan Hartman, Kaiden Hartman, Mabelle Hartman and Cricket Hartman.

The family has decided to have his celebration of life memorial in early July. The date and time will be announced. Austin Funeral & Cremation Services in Whitefish is caring for the family.

Clarence G. Hartstrom, 66

Clarence G. Hartstrom, 66, passed away at St. Joseph Medical Center in Polson, Montana on July 7, 2018.

Clarence was born March 9, 1952, to parents Roy and Phyllis Hartstrom in Mohall, North Dakota.

He is survived by his mother, Phyllis Hartstrom, and brothers Fred and Hal. He was preceded in death by his father, Roy, and sister, Lynda.

Shortly after Clarence's birth, the family moved to California. He graduated from Kennedy High School in Sacramento and Consumes River College.

Clarence worked in construction as a carpenter, building and remod-

eling homes. He also ran his own soffit business. In addition, Clarence enjoyed working on cars. His real passions were playing guitar and he also loved animals, especially horses and dogs.

Clarence returned to Montana five years ago and lived with Clayton Howard in Big Arm where he helped take care of animals on Clayton's ranch.

The family would like to thank the doctors and staff at St. Joseph Medical Center as well Lisa Meyer and Clayton Howard for their friendship and kindness to Clarence.

No services will be held. Clarence was cremated and his ashes were spread over the meadow at Clayton's ranch.

Fredrick 'Rick' Harvey, 64

Brother, uncle, cousin, nephew, golfer and fisherman, Fredrick "Rick" Harvey passed away July 28, 2018, at his home in Billings of natural causes.

Rick was born Dec. 20, 1953, in Kalispell to Bob and Kathy Harvey. Growing up in West Valley, he attended Flathead High School, tech school in Missoula following graduation.

Rick was not for farm life; he became a computer programmer. He was a fixer of things, a computer guy with the soul of a handyman. He enjoyed having company and was a good cook. He loved to travel — from fishing off the Oregon Coast, to trips to Italy and Australia and visits back to the Flathead.

He was a golfer; both of his nephews had the opportunity to golf with him and witness his reactions to a bad swing. He was a Broncos fan and tolerated no trash talk about his team.

If something could be said with two words, Rick often found a way to use one; he wasted neither time nor words on idle chatter. When you visited with him it was the real thing. He would gladly reminisce with family about the good times. The easiest houseguest in the world, his needs were

few. The coffeepot, the remote control and dog toys for Winnie, the black lab that had Uncle Rick wrapped around her little paw. He had just been home for a visit and a little family reunion. It was a wonderful time for all and we are so grateful for those memories.

While he was home, he witnessed his younger sister struggling to pit cherries with a drinking straw. For her 50th birthday, he bought her a cherry pitter — pure Rick. It is the best cherry pitter you have ever seen.

Rick is survived by his sisters and their husbands, Gail and Bruce Drew, and Sara and Tony Martin; nephews, Bret and Randy Martin; uncle, Dale Harvey; aunts, Nancy and Betty Harvey; and too many cousins and their families to list. Never take for granted the time given with those close to you.

A local memorial gathering is being planned for next week, with time and date to be announced.

Rick had been involved with Zoo Montana in Billings for many years. The family suggests any memorials be directed there.

Patricia Hausmann, 68

Our precious mother, wife and sister, Patricia "Patty" Ann Hausmann, 68, of Kalispell, passed away on Friday, Dec. 29, 2017, from complications of Alzheimer's.

She was born to Robert Goerger and Marcella Dirkes Goerger (deceased) on May 10, 1949, in Great Falls. With her welcoming smile, energetic laugh, and caring nature, Patty was a source of joy for all who knew her and beloved by almost everyone she encountered. Patty spent her childhood in Great Falls where she attended Charles M. Russell High School, graduated from Great Falls College - Montana State University with a Bachelor of Arts in Education degree and a Master's in Special Education degree from Bowling Green State University in Ohio.

She married the love of her life, Richard "Rich" Hausmann, shortly after college. Patty taught third grade at the Rocky Boy's Indian Reservation in Montana for three years. Patty and Rich relocated to Ohio where they built careers as professors at Owens Community College and raised their boys, Bob and Ben.

Patty and Richard retired in Kalispell six years ago so they could enjoy Glacier National Park. Despite the challenges with Patty being legally blind, they both enjoyed hiking, biking on their tandem, picnicking and snowshoeing in Glacier National Park.

Patty is survived by her husband, Richard Hausmann, of Kalispell; sons, Robert "Bob" (Leslie) Hausmann of Pittsburgh, and Benjamin "Ben" Hausmann of Seattle. She is also survived by her four sisters, Loretta (Mario) Anderson of Fort Shaw, Gloria (John) Eiskant of Great Falls, Marie Mills of Olympia, Washington, and Deloris (Mike) Duquette of Spokane. She leaves behind many loving relatives and friends and will be sorely missed. Patty was always a favorite in her extended family, as she had a never-ending smile, hugs to go around and a ready laugh — everyone loved it when "Aunt Patty" came. She was an amazing wife, mother, sister, cherished aunt, friend and co-worker and was always a ray of sunshine.

A simple viewing for family and friends is

encourage donations in Patty's honor to the Alzheimer's Association, www.alz.org.

To send a note of condolence to the family,

please visit www.buffalohillfh.com. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

The joy of Patty's life was being a mom to her sons. She was a caring mother who cherished her children throughout their childhood and well into adulthood. She always missed Montana and vowed to return permanently someday, but until then, spent summer breaks with Richard, Bob and Ben on long trips "out West" in Montana and Oregon.

Although she was born legally blind from albinism, Patty overcame challenges and was an outstanding student and teacher. Additionally, she was an accomplished musician, guitarist and singer. She sang and played her guitar for many weddings, and was a member of the St. Thomas Moore choir in Bowling Green, Ohio.

After spending their working life in Ohio,

planned for 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 7, at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home in Kalispell. A memorial and celebration of her life will take place on her birthday in May near Glacier National Park with her extended family and friends.

The family wishes to thank all of those who cared for her during her last few years.

In lieu of flowers or gifts the family would