

## Barbara June Reis Raze, 65

Barbara June Reis Raze, 65, passed away Jan. 26, 2018, at Heritage Place with her husband and sisters at her side.

She was born June 5, 1952, in Denison, Iowa, to Wally Reis and Katie Reis Wilson. In 1955 she moved with her family to Whitefish and grew up on the family farm on Dillon Road. Her favorite pet was her donkey Jacky; they truly were the best of pals. She attended primary school and graduated from Whitefish High School in 1970. She was active in 4-H.

Her great joy was going to the Salvation Army thrift store and others. She had many friends there and they loved to see her.

On Aug. 21, 1976, she married Dennis Raze. They lived in Kalispell where she worked as a caretaker, housekeeping, crossing guard at local schools, Taco John's and as a bell ringer for the



Salvation Army.

Barbara was preceded in death by her father, mother and brother

er Billy.

Survivors include her husband Dennis and his family, sisters Linda (Bill) Hoyt, and Becky Reed, sister-in-law Betty (Billy) Reis, brother-in-law Jerry Reed, 13 nieces and nephews, and special and longtime friends Donna Zabel and Jacquie Cuffe.

She will be dearly missed by us all, but now she has her wings.

There will be a memorial service later this spring or summer.

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

## Taylor Kenny Rea, 34

Taylor Kenny Rea was born April 14, 1983, at North Valley Hospital in Whitefish to Denny and Kathy Rea. He graduated from Whitefish High School in 2001 and completed a course of study in communications at Portland State University in 2009.

Taylor died unexpectedly Wednesday, Jan. 3, 2018, at his home in Missoula.

He loved skiing in the winter and spending summers on the lake with his grandparents, family and friends. Sports were also a big part of his life growing up and all through high school. A huge fan of the Pittsburgh Steelers, Taylor loved being able to attend games when he was able. Traveling was another big part of his life and he had many great adventures going to sporting events, exploring the United States and traveling overseas.

Taylor was a big guy with an even bigger heart. He will be remembered by his friends and family as a "gentle giant" with a heart of gold. One of his biggest passions in life was music, and many will remember going to shows or watching Taylor DJ. He felt so much joy connecting with others through beats and song.

Gifted with many talents in the kitchen, Taylor loved to prepare food for family and friends. Not only did he cook for those he loved, but he also enjoyed cooking for the masses.



Whether it was at "Over the Top," the food truck he co-owned in

Portland, or The Red Bird in Missoula, Taylor always found community and connection through the making and sharing of food.

Taylor will be remembered most for his generosity, kindness, and dedication to his family and friends. In the last several years of his life, he truly stepped into being the kind of man he wanted to be. He lived a life that truly mattered, helping others, staying humble and being thankful for all of the blessings in his life. A "Rea" of sunshine in all of the lives he touched, he would always be sure to remind people to "Have a grateful day."

He is survived by his mother and father, grandmother Bonnie Kenny, aunt Judy Togiai, cousins John (Katie), Justin (Jessica) Togiai, and many extended family and friends. He also leaves behind his beloved canine companion Bus.

A memorial celebration will be held on July 21. Another announcement will be made closer to the date.

In lieu of flowers, the family has asked that donations be made to the Humane Society of Northwest Montana or Shepherd's Hand Clinic.

## Shirley Edith Reasner, 83

Shirley Edith Reasner passed away early Aug. 15, 2018, after 48 years fighting back against multiple sclerosis.

She was born in Worcester, Massachusetts, on Sept. 4, 1934, to Dr. Warren and Edith Spear.

Trained as a medical technologist, she retired after 25 years at Memorial Hospital in Mount Holly, New Jersey. She married Rev. Robert L. Reasner in 1956 and was the loving mother to three children, Robert, Karen and Mark Reasner. She was a grandmother to eight grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren and twins coming in the fall.

Shirley's life was also one of ministry beyond the laboratory. She married and two days later became the director of the Emergency Center for Women run by the Salvation Army in Rochester, New York. From there they became dorm parents for 27 boys at Houghton Academy in Houghton, New York. Five years later she and her husband moved to South New Jersey where they served their first church. Together they served four congregations over the next 34 years. Shirley sang in the choirs, taught adult Bible class, high school youth and led the congregation's mission programs. In the last church she was also a lay speaker. After retiring and moving to Montana, she became a member of the congregation at Epworth United Methodist Church and served in the Stephen

Minister Program.

She would always say "MS may have my body but I will never let it get my spirit!" and to the very end, it never did! She fought back valiantly.

She is survived by her loving husband, Bob, having shared life together for 62 years serving their churches, communities and families; her children, Robert Reasner, Karen (Michael) Fantazzi, and Mark (Cheryl) Reasner; grandchildren and great-grandchildren, along with her extended family and many special friends.

The family wants to thank the medical teams and all those that have been a part of Shirley's care and support throughout her journey and cannot adequately express the gratitude felt to the team at Immanuel Lutheran Homes Retreat. Their team was exceptional and loving, providing comfort to not only Shirley but the family. They made a lasting impression on our hearts.

A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. on Aug. 24 in the chapel at Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home, 525 Main St., Kalispell, followed by burial at the C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery. A reception will be held immediately following at the Epworth United Methodist Church.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Epworth United Methodist Church or the Multiple Sclerosis Society.

## Eva Eleanor (Voetberg) Reeck, 95

Eva Eleanor (Voetberg) Reeck, 95, passed away on Saturday, April 28, 2018, at her home supported by her four daughters and Frontier Hospice.

She was born June 22, 1922, and this was forever "Twody Two." Her father, Dick Voetberg immigrated to Conrad, Montana, from the Netherlands in 1911. He married Verna Doolittle of Shelby.

Eva received her registered nurse degree at the University of Iowa in 1945 after being married to Leland K. Reeck M.D. in 1944. They lived in Lytton, Iowa, Topeka, Kansas, Madison, Wisconsin, Tucson, Arizona, and Portland. After Lee's death Eva moved to Kalispell and loved every minute of it living with daughter Beth's family. Momma



was very involved with two Bible study groups, her church, bridge at the Senior Center, and eating lunch out with friends.

Momma's lifetime passions were quilting, reading and weeding. She loved her Savior, her family and her friends.

Always the encourager, she will be greatly missed by all those who knew her.

Eva is survived by a brother Robert (Thelma) Voetberg of Iowa, sons Dirk (Kathy) Reeck, and Lee (Joyce) Reeck, all of Arizona, daughters Beth (Leo) Hasse of Kalispell, Helen (Peter) Allegre of Kansas, Emma (Ty)

Easton, and Christina (Dennis) of Gartland of Oregon. She was Boma (Bopa) to 17 grandchildren and 30 great-grandchildren, with one on the way.

"We love you, Momma!"

A celebration of life will be held at 11:15 a.m. on Sunday, May 27, at Faith Free Lutheran Church.

Memorial contributions can be sent to Faith Free Lutheran Church, 405 Liberty Street, Kalispell, MT 59901.

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## Beverly Jane Lindevig Rehbein, 92

Beverly Jane Lindevig was born in Sidney on Aug. 8, 1926, to Thomas and Nettie Lindevig.

She passed away Oct. 26, 2018, at her home in Kalispell with her family by her side.

Beverly graduated from Lambert High School in 1944. She helped her father with the farming operations while her three brothers were in the service and also worked as a clerk in a local grocery store until she married James H. Rehbein on Nov. 25, 1947, in Sidney. They moved to Shelby, for two years until the family moved back to Lambert the winter of 1949. She raised her family in the Sidney and Lambert area until the family moved to Miles City in 1963 and then to Helena in the summer of 1965.

Beverly worked for Sears Roebuck for 20 years and retired in 1988. Beverly was a life member of the Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary and the Veterans of Foreign Wars as well as volunteering at the Montana Veterans Home in Columbia Falls. She was also active in the Senior Citizens Center and enjoyed the Friday afternoon paint classes.



Beverly always busied herself with her vegetable and flower gardens, quilting and painting. She made two quilts of the History of the Counties of Montana from territorial times to the present 56 counties. She also made a quilt of the History of the American Flag. The quilt includes the flags from Colonial times to the present 50-star flag, the flag of Montana, the Disabled American Veterans Flag and the POW/MIA Flag. It was donated to the Department of Montana Disabled American Veterans at the Department Convention in Kalispell, June of 2002, as a fundraiser and was auctioned off for

\$1,000. The gentleman that bought it donated it to the Montana Historical Society in Helena. Both quilts hung in the foyer of the Historical Museum in Helena for several months. Many hours of research, planning and work had been put into those quilts.

Beverly is survived by her children, Charlie (Georgie) Rehbein,

Roberta Rehbein and Margaret Hartman, all of Helena, Joseph (Kathy) Rehbein of Bozeman and Lois Rehbein of Kalispell; 12 grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren. She is also survived by numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

She is reunited in heaven with her husband James H. Rehbein (2018), her oldest son James A. Rehbein (2012), her siblings DoLoras Carter (2014), Beatrice Burke (2004), Alice Bergam (1999), Morgan Mathison (1996), Jerrold Mathison (1964) Arland Mathison (1945), Rolph Mathison (1916), Verna Mathison (1910), and her parents Thomas (1959) and Nettie (1972) Lindevig.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, Nov. 9, at Stillwater Free Lutheran Church with a luncheon following. Graveside services will be held at 10 a.m. on Monday, Nov. 12, at Richland Memorial

Park Cemetery in Sidney, with a luncheon following at the VFW Club. Friends are encouraged to visit the website at

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

## James Herbert Rehbein, 92

James Herbert Rehbein passed away peacefully at home with his loving wife of 70 years by his side on Tuesday, April 17, 2018.

Jim was born Herbert James Rehbein on July 23, 1925 in Lane, Montana. Jim and Herman "Bud" were the ninth and 10th children of 15 and the second set of twins born to Alfred and Agnes Rehbein. The family moved to the farm and ranch southeast of Lambert, Montana, in the fall of 1931. He attended all eight years of grade school at the Thomas School, southeast of Lambert.

Jim graduated from the Sacred Heart High School in Miles City in 1943. He attended Carroll College until he was drafted into the Army Air Corp in 1944. Jim attended boot-camp at Camp Roberts, California, before being shipped overseas to the Philippine Islands, Leyte, Samar, Sebu and Negros. After a short time in the 925th Anti-Aircraft Battalion, he was stationed with the 314th Wing of the 20th Army Air Corps, on Guam, where he was a Teletype operator. He received an honorable medical discharge from the Army Air Corps in 1946.

He married Beverly Jane Lindevig on November 25, 1947 in Sidney, Montana. They



moved to Shelby, Montana, where Jim worked for the U.S. Bureau of Reclamations for the fall and winter of 1947-48. He then worked as a parts

man for the Klingler Garage in Shelby. The family moved back to Lambert in the winter of 1949 to help his parents with the family businesses. Jim worked at several jobs during the next 15 years. He was the timekeeper for Ebasco Services and the general contractor building the Montana Dakota electric plant in Sidney.

In 1963, the family moved to Miles City, where he managed the non-foods department of the Safeway store, then transferred to the Safeway in Helena in the summer of 1965. In 1968 Jim started a new career and went to work for the state of Montana. He saw the Bureau of Conservation change several times to the Water Resources Board, the Department of Natural Resources and finally to the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation. In the fall of 1975 he was transferred to Kalispell to

open the DNRC office, from which he retired in 1988.

Jim had been active in Veterans Affairs for many years. He was instrumental in getting the VA Clinic opened in the Flathead Valley. He was a life member of the Disabled American Veterans, Veterans of Foreign Wars and the American Legion, as well as volunteering at the Montana Veterans Home in Columbia Falls. He was also on the Memorial Board at the Montana Veterans Home from 1978 until resigning in 2011 due to health issues. Jim was also one of Flathead County's two representatives to the Legacy Legislature.

He is survived by his wife, Beverly, and his children: Charlie (Georgie) Rehbein, Roberta Rehbein and Margaret Hartman, all of Helena; Joseph (Kathy) Rehbein of Bozeman and Lois Rehbein of Kalispell; 12 grandchildren; and 20 great-grandchildren. He is also survived by his sisters, Elizabeth Evenson of Lambert, Montana; Emma Hanson of San Antonio, Texas; Gertrude Hoffstot of Portland, Oregon; and a brother, Fritz (Ann) Rehbein of Rozet, Wyoming; as well as dozens of nieces, nephews and cousins.

Jim is "reunited in Heaven" with his oldest

son James A. Rehbein (2012); his twin brother Herman "Bud" Rehbein (2011); brothers Robert Rehbein (2012), William Rehbein (2008), Henry Rehbein (1974) and Albert Rehbein (1947); sisters Catherine Williams (2015), Anastasia Bachini (2011), Monica Tanglen (2008), Mary Lawrence (2005), Margaret Regan (2002); and parents Alfred (1967) and Agnes (1975) Rehbein.

Mass of the Christian Burial will be held 10 a.m. on Friday, May 11, at St. Matthews Catholic Church in Sidney, Montana, with internment at Richland Memorial Park Cemetery with Military Honors. Please join the family for refreshments at the VFW Hall following the burial.

A Memorial Luncheon will be held on Saturday, May 5, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Buffalo Hills Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you send donations to the Memorial Board, c/o Montana Veterans Home, Columbia Falls, Montana, or to the North West Montana Veterans Stand Down and Food Pantry in Kalispell. Friends are encouraged to visit our website at [www.buffalohillfh.com](http://www.buffalohillfh.com) to leave notes of condolences for the family. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for the family.

## Lisa Ann Reid (Jensen), 48

Lisa Ann Reid (Jensen), 48, of Kalispell, departed this life Sept. 12, 2018.

Born in Salt Lake City, Utah, she was the second-born daughter of Kay Jensen and Catherine Bringhurst. She was the widow of Rick Reid. They shared 11 years of marriage together.

She is survived by her mother Catherine (Steve), three sons Chris, Tyler and Brandon, four grandchildren, Aarika, Anika, Aevian, Kaias; brother Justin (Sarah), sister Jacki, five nephews and one niece.

She was preceded in



death by her Father Kay, Sister Trudi & Husband Rick. She was a proud and beloved employee of JOANN Fabrics. Lisa enjoyed painting, writing, making blankets and crocheting. She will be remembered for being the most amazing and loving mother, daughter, sister and grandmother, you could ever dream of.

She was dedicated to her family and friends, her kindness, giving

nature, and dedication can never be replaced. Her greatest pleasure and source of pride are her children and grandchildren. She was so proud of her sons and loved spoiling her grandchildren and watching them grow.

Graveside service will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 18, 2018 at Spring Creek Cemetery, 1118 W. Valley Drive, Kalispell, MT 59901.

Flowers may be sent to Buffalo Hill Funeral Home and condolences to [www.buffalohillfh.com](http://www.buffalohillfh.com).

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

## Dawn H. Reisch, 87

Dawn Hope Reisch passed away on Feb. 1, 2018, at Brendan House in Kalispell. She was born in Helena on Nov. 26, 1930, the only child of Margaret Lucille Hanson and Matt Rougle.

Dawn married her high school sweetheart, Duane Reisch, on August 31, 1948. Their four children were born in Havre. Throughout Duane's career moves, Dawn created a nurturing and loving home for the family in Havre, Cut Bank, Choteau, Great Falls, and finally, in Whitefish in 1971. She put her organizational skills to work when Duane and a partner opened the Pin and Cue, keeping the books and payroll. She has supported all of the work in the Reisch family partnership.



Devoted to youth, Dawn was active in Girl Scouts for over 30 years, serving as a troop leader, camp staffer and district-level board member and is now a lifetime member. When she and Duane wintered in California, she volunteered as a teacher's aide, working with children in reading, at an elementary school every year in Indio.

Dawn had a great appreciation for the outdoors. She enjoyed hiking, riding horses, and in-line skating, and in the winter, loved ice skating and cross-country skiing.

A true homemaker,

Dawn sewed, re-upholstered, and created many beautiful items for the family home, as well as many gorgeous dresses, practical outfits, coats, and doll clothes for her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Her sewing talents were also put to use sewing costumes for the Whitefish Theatre Company. She loved gardening, cultivating flowers, vegetables, herbs, and houseplants. In her later years, Dawn could be found playing bridge at least once a week and was an enthusiastic supporter and attendee at the theatre plays and music concerts.

Dawn is survived by her husband of nearly 70 years, Duane, and her children, Diane Kane (Steve), Dale Reisch,

Darlene Trebesch, and Danelle Reisch (Jack); her five grandchildren, Alan Reisch, Erin Libaire, Deirdre Cook, Brendan Kane, and Spenser Eaton; and five great-grandchildren, Tanea, Sofia, Emmett, Edie, and Angus.

The family wishes to extend their gratitude to the staff at the KRHC Intermediate Care Unit and Brendan House for their loving care and support.

A memorial service for Dawn is planned for Feb. 11, 2018, at the Moose Lodge in Whitefish at 2 p.m. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to a charity of your choice or Whitefish Theatre Company. Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish is caring for the family.

## Kenneth Charles Rheume, 76

Kenneth Charles Rheume, 76, passed away on Wednesday, Jan. 31, 2018, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center from an unexpected illness.

Kenneth was born Oct. 1, 1941, in Chicopee, Massachusetts, to Oswald and Laura (Babineau) Rheume. Kenneth attended school to the 10th grade at Trade High School in Springfield, Massachusetts, and then went on to join the Navy, serving from 1958 as a machinist mate to 1962 when he was honorably discharged.

He married Beverly Glenn on Dec. 1, 1974, in Las Vegas. Kenneth worked for 22 years in government services as a postal machine mechanic.

Kenneth was an artist



that loved woodworking, leather crafts, restoring cars, genealogy and a cowboy shooter,

which led him to become a life member of the Bigfork Gun Club.

He cherished his loving and close relationship with his wife Beverly, but his greatest joy was his grandchildren.

Kenneth is survived by his loving wife of 43 years, Beverly (Glenn) Rheume, of Bigfork; children, Randall Vincent Rheume of Temecula, California, William Rheume of Azusa, California, and Jennifer Margaret Peralta

of Upland, California; grandchildren, Angela, Tracy, Nathan, Patricia, Alexandra, Laura, Dustin, Hannah and Katherine; brother, Jim, and his wife, Maureen

Rheume; his sister, Grace, and her husband, Norman Vigneault; and many nieces and nephews.

A celebration of life is being planned for this summer.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations be made to your favorite charity, the Bigfork Fire and Rescue, Kalispell Regional Healthcare Foundation ER, hospice or Cancer Services.

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

## Glenn Windsor Rickenbacher, 93

It is with great sadness that the family of Glenn Windsor Rickenbacher announces his peaceful passing in the early morning hours of Sunday, June 17, 2018, at the age of 93. He was surrounded by loved ones and will be sorely missed.

Glenn is survived by his wife, Alene, as well as their blended family of 11 children they fondly referred to as "yours, mine and ours": daughters Jill Winter Morgan, Anne Millett, Rebecca Haylett, Genevieve DuBois, Laura Guthrie, Heidi Kim Taasevtgen, Ruth Rickenbacher, Tracy Soennichsen, and sons John Rickenbacher, Larry Henry and Kevin Henry, as well as 27 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren. He is also survived by his sister, Ethel Rae Hickman, and brother, Bruce John Rickenbacher.

Born on May 5, 1925, in Newark, New Jersey, to Rufus and Ethel Rickenbacher, Glenn grew up as an avid football player, playing through high school. After graduating in 1943, he went on to serve in World War II as a gun corporal, receiving awards such as the American and EAME Campaign Medals. In 1946, he was honorably discharged.

Following his service,



he attended Brown University where he ran varsity cross-country and was a varsity outdoor track athlete. He graduated in 1950 with a

Bachelor of Arts degree in philosophy. After college, he worked as a real estate agent and then was an account manager at Del Monte Foods before retiring in Bigfork.

He was a skiing, hiking, camping and golfing enthusiast, preferring to spend his free time in the outdoors as much as possible. He always had a smile and the caring energy to brighten anyone's day. When not hitting balls on the golf course or careening down a snowy mountain, you could often find him checking his stocks or enjoying a beer while watching football.

"Like you always said, Glenn, you take the high road and we'll take the low road. Let's meet somewhere on the other side, when our paths cross again. We love you."

The celebration of life will be announced at a later time.



## Forrest Eugene Rieben Jr., 84

Forrest Eugene "Gene" Rieben Jr., passed away of natural causes on April 18, 2018, in Redlands, California.

He was born Nov. 15, 1933, in Great Falls to Forrest Rieben Sr. and Mina (Blossom) Rieben. The family moved to Ronan when Gene was 11 years old. After graduating from Ronan High School in 1951, Gene worked in the Great Northern Roundhouse in Great Falls for a short time, prior to entering the U.S. Army. He completed Signal Corps Training at Camp San Luis Obispo before shipping out for Germany, where he spent the duration of his military time.

On returning to Ronan, he was employed as an apprentice electrician by Flathead Electric in Polson. He used his GI benefits to attend Coyne



Local 768.

Kalispell became the family's hometown, where all three children graduated from Flathead High. At various times Gene worked in Montana, Idaho, Utah, Washington, Oregon, North Dakota, Alaska and California. One of the last jobs he worked was in Shanghai, China.

Gene spent his spare time making improvements to their home and rental properties, and he

Electrical School in Chicago. Gene completed his apprenticeship while working at Smith Electric in Polson and in 1959 joined the IBEW

developed many varied skills in the process. He enjoyed keeping busy and helping others.

After the children were grown, Gene and Shirley moved to San Jose, California, where Gene worked until he retired. They enjoyed the 25 years they lived in the Bay Area, traveling in their RV and visiting relatives and friends.

Gene was preceded in death by a daughter, Diane Louise (Steve) Gentry, formerly of Bakersfield; sister, Louise (Milton) DeWald; brother, Robert (Mary Tromp) and (Jan Bernhard) Rieben.

He is survived by his wife of 59 years, Shirley (Herreid) Rieben of Redlands; daughter, Leslie (Joe) Pompa of Redlands; son, Mark (Chip) Atterbury-Rieben of Palm Springs, California; four grandchildren and three

great-grandchildren. He is also survived by a brother, Ronald (Alida Skogen) Rieben, of Clallam Bay, Washington, along with several nieces and nephews.

## Matthew S. Righter, 26

Matthew Scott Righter, 26, of Junction City, Kansas, died Feb. 5, 2018, at his home.

Matthew was born July 11, 1991, in Kalispell, the son of Rodney S. and Joanne (Christiansen) Righter.

Matthew was a 2010 graduate of Junction City High School, and a veteran of the United States Air Force.

Matthew most recently worked at Parker-Hannifin Manufacturing



Righter, both of Milford; his paternal grandparents, John and Mary

in Manhattan, Kansas.

He is survived by his parents, Rodney and Joanne Righter, of Milford, Kansas; two brothers, Joseph and Samuel

Righter, Troy; and his maternal grandmother, Hermelinda Phillippe, and her husband Larry, Kalispell.

Matthew was preceded in death by his maternal grandfather, Albert Christiansen, and maternal grandmother, Patricia Righter.

Cremation has taken place.

A memorial service will be 10 a.m., Thursday, Feb. 15, at Penwell-Gabel Junction City Funeral

Chapel. Inurnment will be at 1 p.m. on Thursday at the Kansas Veterans' Cemetery at Fort Riley, Manhattan. Military honors will be provided by the United States Air Force Honor Guard from McConnell Air Force Base.

Memorial contributions may be made in Matthew's name to American Diabetes Assn., 608 West Douglas Ave., Suite 100, Wichita, KS 67203.

## Mary Catherine 'Kay' Roath, 83

Mary Catherine ("Kay") Phillips Roath was born in Billings on July 26, 1934, the oldest child of Craig and Julia Stiver Phillips. She was raised in Forsyth and graduated from Forsyth High School, where she was active in school and church activities. She attended Montana State College, later graduating from North Dakota State University.

Kay married William Roath in Forsyth on July 2, 1955. They lived in Bozeman until he completed his studies at Montana State; then lived in various places in the United States during his Air Force career. They were parents of seven children, two of whom were adopted. They were also foster parents of more than 40 youngsters, and enjoyed having several foreign exchange students in their home.

When most of her children were teenagers, Kay began fulfillment of a long-held dream and started her journey to ministry in the United Methodist Church. Several years of summer school and winters of home study resulted in ordination in 1979. She happily served as campus pastor, as well as church pastor at parishes in North Dakota and Iowa, before retiring in 2001.

She and Bill then returned to their beloved Montana and have lived in their home near Bigfork since then. She had enjoyed preaching occasionally and



had been active in the Bigfork United Methodist Church, Bigfork Rotary

and Red Hat Society. She enjoyed knitting, bowling and crosswords.

She was preceded in death by her parents; a sister, Julia; and an infant son, Randy. Survivors include her husband Bill; sons Bill (Seeta) of Judith Gap, Craig (Wanda) of Fargo, Paul of Lafayette Hill, Pennsylvania and David (Stefanie) of Rodenbach, Germany; and daughters Patricia of Bigfork, Michelle Voeller (Randall) of Buffalo, Minnesota and Beverly (Randy Zandt) of Minneapolis, Minnesota. Also surviving her are 15 grandchildren, two great-granddaughters and one great-grandson. Her brother, Jim, resides in Bellevue, Washington and her sister, Joyce Rash, in Des Moines, Iowa.

A celebration of life will be held at the Bigfork United Methodist Church on May 12, 2018 at 11 a.m. with a luncheon to follow services. Cremation has taken place, with the ashes being interred on the family property. Please visit [www.jgfuneralhome.com](http://www.jgfuneralhome.com) to leave condolences for the family. Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for the family.

## Blanche Amelia Fenby Roberts, 82

Blanche Amelia Fenby Roberts, 82, peacefully passed away on Aug. 2, 2018, at her home in Stevensville.

Blanche was born in Kalispell on July 8, 1936, to William George and Juanita Mae (Davidson) Fenby.

Blanche married Kenneth G. Huston on Dec. 10, 1955. Had five wonderful children together. They divorced in 1972.

On Nov. 1, 1973, she married John Bruner Roberts Jr. in Seeley Lake.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

She is survived by her



sisters, Gladys Rost (Maynard) of Bigfork, Bonnie Bartlett (Mick) of Vancouver,

Washington, and Nola Krause of Prescott, Arizona. In addition to her husband, she is survived by her children, Jody Huston of Stevensville, Bill Huston (Janeen) of Escondido, California, Rhonda Huston McGillivray of St. Regis, Merwin Huston (Tammy) of Alexandria, Virginia, Linette Huston (Tony Lupinacci) of Battle

Ground, Washington, and Megan Roberts Georg (Casey) of Thrall, Texas.

Blanche was very proud of her 15 grandchildren and 23 great-grandchildren whom she loved dearly.

A celebration of life will be held at 2 p.m. on Sept. 9 at the Swan Lake Community Hall. A potluck will follow the service. If you have a story, memory or photo of Blanche you would like to share, please bring it.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests that donations be made to the Swan Lake Community Hall or to a charity of your choice.

## Charles 'Chuck' William Roberts, 69

A great man, Charles "Chuck" William Roberts, 69, passed away the morning of Oct. 25, 2018, in Billings.

Chuck was born Dec. 8, 1948, to Charles "Bob" and Jeannette Roberts in Baker. Chuck had lived many places throughout his life, and moved to Worden just five years ago.

Chuck was a hard-working and talented man.

He had been in construction for almost 50 years, then moved into sales of building materials for a short time before retiring about one year ago. He had been working at the Worden school and construction-related side jobs to keep busy.



Hunting, fishing, reading and horses were among Chuck's favorite hobbies.

His passion, however, was his family. He always had a shoulder to lean on, listened and offered words of wisdom when you needed it. He would light up any room he walked into and loved talk to any and every one.

Chuck was preceded in death by both of his parents, Bob and Jeannette Roberts, brothers Eddie Roberts and Jim Roberts, and daughter Diana Faye Roberts.

He is survived by love

of his life Linda Farnes, sister Ann Roberts, brother Tom Roberts, son Brad (Kerry) Roberts, daughter Shelly (Matt) Thiem, granddaughters Samantha, Kellie, Camden and Adison, and many other family and friends that love and will miss him.

A celebration of life will be held at 11 a.m., Saturday, Dec. 1, at Smith Funeral Chapels, 925 South 27th Street Billings. Condolences can be shared with the family at [www.smithfuneralchapels.com](http://www.smithfuneralchapels.com).

Chuck was an amazing partner, lover, father, grandfather, uncle, friend, everything — he will be missed more than words can say.

## James "Jim" Carlyle Roberts, 62

Jim passed away on March 22, 2018, at his home in Columbia Falls.

Jim was born to James and Janet (McGraw) Roberts on Aug. 8, 1955; in Sidney. Jim had three younger brothers, Scott, Craig and Kerry, and one sister Tana. The family moved to Kalispell in 1959. As a young boy, he attended Peterson school during his elementary years and graduated from Flathead High School in 1973.

Jim met his wife Marla Underwood at the Hideout in Kalispell. They married on Aug. 14, 1976.

Jim spent his life working 32 years for the Montana Department of Transportation.

The best part of Jim's life was spending time with his children and grandchildren, fishing, hunting and watching sporting events.

Jim is survived by his wife, Marla; his children,



his grandchildren, Dylan, Mahala, James Riley, Noah, Zach and Jonah.

There will be a visitation for Jimmy from 2 to 4 p.m. Monday, March 26, at Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home, with ser-

Misty (Malachi), James "JJ" (Heather), Dallas and Grant (Brienne); as well as

vices to follow at 4 p.m. at the funeral home. Pastor Casey Higgins will be officiating. The family then invites you to join them for a potluck at the Kalispell Seventh Day Adventist Church at 1185 Old Reserve Drive. You are welcome to bring a potluck dish to share if you wish.

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

## Beth Ann (Olinski) Robinson, 58

Beth Ann (Olinski) Robinson came into this world on Sept. 29, 1959. She was the only daughter of Matthew and Janice Olinski. Beth grew up matching wits with brothers Matthew, Paul and Jon, and bringing home academic honors, especially in math and the arts.

After graduating from Kearny High in New Jersey in 1977 she headed west, attending the California College of Arts and Crafts before moving to Montana in 1980.



while raising her children and taking classes at the Flathead Valley Community College. She earned her Bachelors of Fine Arts from the University of Montana in 1993.

Beth had three children and always encour-

aged their creativity and sense of humor. She made things beautiful.

Beth Robinson is survived by her husband Clifford Gene Robinson, son Zane Nelson, daughter Aleicia Ann Robinson, daughter Katrin and son-in-law Jake Steck, grandchildren Turner and Brady Steck, brother Matthew and sister-in-law Joanne, brother Jon and sister-in-law Vera, brother Paul, brothers-in-law Kevin, Bill and Raymond Robinson, sisters-in-law Diane Robinson, Dorothy

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## Gordon 'Skip' Rognlien, 83

Dyvert Gordon Rognlien Jr., known by all as "Skip," died at age 83 in OHSU Hospital, Portland, on April 5, 2018, of complications arising from a traffic collision two miles south of his home in Wheeler, Oregon, on March 27.

Born to Dyvert Gordon Rognlien and Myrna M. (Cole) Rognlien in Kalispell on Nov. 1, 1934, he was raised in Kalispell and graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Montana, Missoula. He was selected for and trained at the Balanchine School of American Ballet in Manhattan for a year before returning to his first love, theater, which he pursued for the next 50 years in New York City, Sacramento and San Francisco. He was founding president of the Times Squares square-dancing club of Manhattan. For a time, he was a contractor with IBM's Media Gallery, and was the principal of Staging Techniques, LLC, which staged trade shows for major corporations. He built a home and moved to Wheeler in



2010 after running a B&B in the Sullivan's Gulch neighborhood of Portland. Skip

became a well-known craft artist in the Nehalem Bay area, specializing in leaded windows, fused glass, weaving, knitting and bonsai, and was a regular prize winner at the Tillamook County Fair. He is survived by his brother and sister-in-law, Phil and Mary Margaret Rognlien, of Bigfork, and a sister, Mary Salsbury, of Post Falls, Idaho.

His keen intelligence, quick wit and multi-faceted creativity will be greatly missed by many adoring friends across the country.

Donations in his honor may be made to the Point Foundation ([pointfoundation.org](http://pointfoundation.org)) or the Lou Stine fund of the Latimer Quilt Museum of Tillamook, Oregon.

A celebration of life will be announced at a future date. For additional information contact Steve Fulmer at 503-233-0650.

## JimmeSue Role, 74

JimmeSue, 74, of Columbia Falls, passed away Dec. 27, 2017, surrounded by her family.

JimmeSue was born April 14, 1943, in Tacoma, Washington, to James and Gertrude Connole. She was an only child that grew up on the family farm in Conrad, Montana. After her father purchased a Chinese laundromat in Columbia Falls, he renovated it and established the Columbia Bar. They would then share their time between Conrad and Columbia Falls.

While attending school in Columbia Falls, she met the love of her life, Richard "Dick" Role. They would later marry in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, on Aug. 22, 1964. They would add to their family with three children, Mark, Pam and Bill.

JimmeSue was the first secretary to work for the Kalispell Orthopedic Clinic. She then took a job with Kalispell Regional Medical Center billing office, where she worked for many years and would later retire.

JimmeSue's greatest joy was her family.



She loved watching all of them participate in their sporting events. She was their biggest cheerleader and their loudest fan. She thought they were all perfect and would tell them continuously. She was a die-hard Cleveland Brown's fan and took every bit of grief from this with big shoulders. She loved her shopping excursions with her family. It would give her complete joy to buy something for them and make them smile. She disliked all green vegetables. She had the best sense of humor and had sass for miles.

JimmeSue was preceded in death by her parents, James and Gertrude Connole, and her husband Richard "Dick" Role.

JimmeSue is survived by her children, Mark (Kim) Role, Pam (LaVern) Burns and Bill Role. She is survived by 11 grandchildren who often referred to her as "Granny Goose," "Grams" or "Grammy," Taylor,

Hunter, Teagan, Tianna, Kyler, Garrett, Kortney, James "Mo," Avery, Jacobi and Christopher; and one great-grandson, Zayne. She is survived by numerous nieces and nephews, her best friend since grade school, Donna Larson, and all the Role family, whom she considered her own.

JimmeSue has been cremated and a celebration of life will take place in the summer.

The family of JimmeSue would like to say a special "Thank You" to the staff in the ICU at KRMHC, Dr. Tobin Hoppes and Dr. Charles Woodward. Your compassion during these difficult times was greatly appreciated.

Fifteen and a half years ago, some person lost their life and was generous enough to be an organ donor, in which our mother was the recipient of a kidney. Our family is asking, in memory of our mother, that you become an organ donor or donate blood, which in turn, could give someone else a second chance at life.

## Patricia I. Ross, 64

Patricia I. Ross, 64, passed away on Monday, June 18, 2018 at Lake View Care Center in Bigfork.

Patricia is survived by her husband James Ross, daughter Shelby Ross, sisters Jeanette Krueger, Dixie Bergeson and Judy Holeton, brother Cory Kelsey, and grandson Tyler Goodin.

A celebration of life will be held at 2 p.m. on Saturday, July 7, at Birch Grove Community Center.

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

## M. Sharon Rossiter, 77

M. Sharon Rossiter, 77, of Kalispell, died Aug. 24, 2018, in Kalispell.

Sharon is survived by her husband, William L. Rossiter; daughter, Sarah Rossiter, of Fort Collins, Colorado; and son, William F. Rossiter, of Murphys, California; sister, Mary Jane Baszynski, of Madison, Wisconsin; and brother, Joseph Farrell, of Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Sharon was preceded in death by her par-

ents, Leslie Farrell and Rosella Reisdorf Farrell, formerly of Pine Bluff, Wisconsin; and siblings, Gerry Farrell, Mary Madeline Matuszesky, Mary Edwina Campnell, John Denman "JD" Farrell and Timothy Farrell.

At Sharon's request, no services are to be held.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home and Crematory are entrusted with arrangements.

## Lucy A. Rude, 80

Lucy Ann Rude was born on Oct. 13, 1937, to Orrin and Elsie Frost in Eureka.

She passed away Sept. 24, 2018, in Kalispell.

She grew up in the Tobacco Valley surrounded by seven siblings. She graduated from Lincoln County High School in 1955.

Lucy married Robert K. Hibbert in 1955 and they were blessed with four children. They were later divorced.

Lucy met and married the love of her life, Lawrence Oliver Rude, on Dec. 30, 1972. They happily raised their family and enjoyed many memorable times with their grandchildren. They celebrated 25 years of marriage before his death on June 4, 1997.

Lucy was an avid quilter, winning many blue ribbons from quilt shows and county fairs.

She is survived by her children, Debbie (Claude) Kaber, Jeff



(Tawnee) Hibbert, Bobbi (Marty) Bewley, and Larry (Char-mayne) Hibbert;

as well as 14 grandchildren, Tyler, Justin, Tony and Troy Kaber, Niki, Derek and Kari Hibbert, Ryan Keltz, Taylor, Andrew and Lucas Bewley, and Alex, Nelly and Michelle Hibbert; along with 10 great-grandchildren. She is also survived by two sisters, and numerous nieces and nephews.

A visitation will be held at Johnson-Gloschat funeral home Monday, Oct. 1, from 5-8 p.m.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 2, at the Epworth United Methodist Church in Kalispell. Graveside burial will be held immediately following at Glacier Memorial Cemetery.

## Daniel Neil Russell, 80

Daniel Neil Russell passed away Aug. 31, 2018, at the age of 80.

Dan was born in Jamestown, New York, to George and June Russell. He had a brother Eugene, and a younger sister Susan.

In 1961, Dan enlisted in the U.S. Army where he served his country as a marksman and expert rifleman. Dan was honorably discharged in 1963 and, shortly after, he met and married his wife, Magdalena. Together with her daughter Jody

from a previous marriage, they drove to the West Coast and eventually settled in Montana where Dan found work at the Columbia Falls Aluminum plant.

Dan enjoyed listening to music, fishing, hunting and all of the outdoor activities that Montana had to offer.

Dan was preceded in death by his parents, his brother Eugene, and his wife Magdalena.

There are no services planned, as per Dan's wishes.



## David Allyn Rundhaug, 78

Kalispell's beloved David Allyn Rundhaug, 78 years old, passed peacefully on Monday, June 18, 2018.

David was born in Bismarck, North Dakota, Dec. 4, 1939, to Erma, and Wallace Rundhaug. He graduated from Flathead High School, Kalispell, where he met his wife Victoria.

David served in the Navy; soon after, he became a park ranger at Kayak Point County Park, in Stanwood, Washington. Later, he would start his own reputable septic business, finally retiring from the Boeing Company.

Dave was a loving husband, an outstanding father, and terrific grandfather. He enjoyed surrounding himself with family and friends. He was an outdoorsman, and liked fishing, clamming and oyster picking. He



also loved cooking and picking on his guitars. He was loved and will be immensely missed.

David was preceded in death by his father, mother,

brother Dennis, and his sister Lorna.

He is survived by his wife, Victoria; and four sons, David, Randy, Kirk and Tony; five grandchildren, Jacob, Meira, Hunter, Sophie and Grace; two brothers, Wally and Gordon; and his sister, Lora Lynn.

A memorial will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday, June 28, at the Tahoma National Cemetery, Kent, Washington.

## Robert William Ruonavaara, 101

Robert William Ruonavaara, 101, of Kalispell, passed away in the early hours on Jan. 13, 2018.

Robert was born on Aug. 3, 1916, in Jacobsville, Michigan, a son of Nils and Hilda (Muonio) Ruonavaara. He lived in Jacobsville until his father died in 1920. Then his mother moved the family to Hancock, Michigan. He lived in Hancock until August 2004 when he moved to Kalispell.

Robert attended the Hancock Schools until the 11th grade.

Robert was a veteran, having served in the U.S. Army Air Corps from Feb. 11, 1942, to Dec. 28, 1945, during World War II.

On Jan. 23, 1943, he was united in marriage to the former Anna Irene Halberg. She preceded him in death on Dec. 20, 1975. Later, Robert married Janet Arline Jouppe on May 12, 1979, in Calumet, Michigan. She preceded him in death on Oct. 28, 1989.

Robert worked at the Vienna Bakery in Calumet, and was a carpenter most of his life.

Robert was a life-long member of the Old Apostolic Lutheran Church.

Preceding him in



death were his wives, his parents, his brother Walter

(Arnold) Ruonavaara, his sisters Flora Hendrickson and Elma Eloranta, two children Ethel Ritola and Robert Ruonavaara, two-grandchildren Tonya Levanen and Evan Wisti and one great-grandchild Lineesa Abernathy.

Surviving are his children, Elaine (Gunnar) Ek of Battle Ground, Washington, Nils (Christine) Ruonavaara of Atlantic Mine, Michigan, Annette (Steve) Levanen of Hancock, Michigan, Anita (Dennis) Jouppe of Hancock, Michigan, Linda (John) Wisti of Lonepine, Montana, Lillian (Daniel) Macfarlane of Kalispell, Juanita (Scott) Reddig of Kalispell, Marie

Ruonavaara of Kalispell, and David (Lacey)

Ruonavaara of Woodland, Washington; one son-in-law, Irvin Ritola, of Yacolt, Washington; one daughter-in-law, Ingrid Milbrandt, of Kalispell; 91 grandchildren, many great- and great-great grandchildren; nieces, nephews and a host of Christian friends.

A visitation will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. today, Jan. 16, at the Old Apostolic Lutheran Church in

Lakeside. Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 17, at the Old Apostolic Lutheran Church in Lakeside with a viewing one hour prior to service. Burial will take

place in the spring at the Lakeview Cemetery in Calumet, Michigan. Friends are encouraged to visit the website, [www.buffalohillfh.com](http://www.buffalohillfh.com), to leave notes of condolence for the family. Buffalo Hill Funeral

Home and Crematory is caring for the family.

## Donald Ryan, 89

Donald John Ryan passed away at age 89 in Kalispell Regional Medical Center on Jan. 19, 2018.

He was born in Chicago, Nov. 26, 1928, to Matthew and Irene-Franz Ryan. He grew up in the Depression years performing a variety of early jobs, largely in the fuel industry. In spite of the financial difficulties of that time the family enjoyed the closeness and sound principles provided by traditional church and family relationships prevalent in Chicago suburb neighborhoods. Close friendships formed at Resurrection Grammar school remained strong throughout their lifetimes, including Don's.



School, with a high scholastic rating, followed by St. Ambrose College in Davenport, Iowa, and then DePaul University College in Chicago where he obtained his law degree. He also obtained a degree as certified

A brilliant, talented young scholar, Don's thirst for knowledge and ardent reading of books started at a very early age and followed him throughout his life. He attended St. Ignatius High

public accountant. He immediately enlisted in the Armed Service, entering Camp Roberts in California in 1952 followed by assignment and honorable discharge from the Presidio in San Francisco in 1958.

Early in his legal career Donald held positions with the Internal Revenue Service and U.S. Security & Exchange Commission before becoming a partner in Foss, Schuman and Drake law firm with offices on LaSalle Street in Chicago. Here his clients included major corporations for which he performed all aspects of business law with a specialty in corporate tax.

His love of sports, starting with football,

drew him into golf, tennis and skiing. As Chicago was not blessed with a mountain, the 800-member Oak Park Ski Club provided ski trips to slopes throughout the United States. Through this he met and married, in 1975, Clarice Fiala, also a ski enthusiast living in the Wheaton, Illinois, area. Together they enjoyed ski trips to Canada, France, Switzerland and Spain. Throughout life Don's great sense of humor and quick wit gained him many friends. Among these was a small group skiing with Stein Erickson, who became well known for his graceful reverse-shoulder style, which Don adopted to perfection. It was large-

ly skiing and their love of the mountains that attracted Don and Clarice to Montana where, in 1992, they moved to their retirement home in Bigfork.

His musical talent was exhibited when playing and composing on his piano combined with creative writing of novels, one of which he was recently editing in preparation for publishing. Providing background for his writing and basic philosophies were various vacation trips, which included Europe, Czech Republic, Ireland, Turkey and China.

Don was preceded in death by his parents, older brother Matthew Ryan, his sister Eileen and brother-in-law

Charles Buchanan.

Don will be greatly missed by his 10 nieces and nephews with whom he was greatly involved and cared for.

Future "Memories of Don" events are being planned for Montana friends (date to be announced) and another primarily for family members in the Eastern states.

A scholarship fund in Don Ryan's name is being established by the writers group, "Authors of the Flathead," of which he was a longtime active member. Contributions in support of those seeking expertise in writing skills may be sent to Authors of the Flathead, P.O. Box 7711, Kalispell, MT 59904-0711.