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PICTURE TRIBUTES

Aitken - Cannon

Deborah Catherine Aitken
HAYMARKET, VA
Dec. 18, 1959 - June 12, 2019

Mary Lou Antonioli
Nov. 9, 1926 - June 14, 2019

Julia Delores Smallwood Austin
Oct. 31, 1944 - May 22, 1999

Gayle Hovden Beard Baldwin
Jan. 16, 1938 - May 25, 1999

Steve Ballenger
May 11, 1941 - June 4, 2019

James Thomas Barry
June 3, 1942 - May 29, 2019

John Cornelius Barry
ISSAQUAH, WA
Nov. 15, 1938 - May 22, 1999

Gary Lawrence Beck
Feb. 14, 1939 - May 27, 2019

Vera Bennett
BUTTE, MT
Feb. 7, 1939 - May 7, 2019

Jess “Buck” Branstetter Sr.
March 28, 1940 - June 2, 2019

Jan Marie Breitenfeldt
June 10, 1957 - May 19, 2019

Skye Lynn Breitenfeldt
March 19, 1990 - May 19, 2019

Marvin John Bukema
Sept. 27, 1947 - May 10, 2019

Margaret “Peggy” Burt
BUTTE, MT
Nov. 13, 1932 - May 6, 2019

Carol Ann Wickham Butler
BUTTE, MT

Norman Dale Cannon
Died June 22, 2019

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In Memoriam started in July 2019 and publishes six times a year. The section honors the memories of the community members we’ve lost during the prior two-month period. This edition includes those whose obituary appeared between May 6 and June 30.
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Capp - Harrington

Patricia Capp
Dec. 25, 1929 - May 12, 2019

Elsie Louise Vandolah
Clifford
Feb. 9, 1938 - June 20, 2019

Mary Ann Cross
July 29, 1957 - April 11, 2019

James Edward Dodd Jr.
BUTTE, MT
Aug. 12, 1977 - May 11, 2019

Russell J. Fisk
DILLON, MT
Nov. 11, 1935 - May 3, 2019

Jim Gillies
Aug. 25, 1930 - May 20, 2019

Earl F. Casagranda
BUTTE, MT
Aug. 21, 1926 - May 8, 2019

Margaret Louise
“Peggy” Collins
July 17, 1928 - May 26, 2019

Connie Lee Daugherty
Dec. 8, 1949 - May 26, 2019

Eileen Doney
May 22, 1925 - June 15, 2019

Betty Marie Leutschaft
Churchill Floyd
BUTTE, MT
Jan. 11, 1933 - May 2, 2019

Corrine Elizabeth Graham
June 18, 1933 - May 29, 2019

Peter J. Cislo
March 29, 1944 - May 19, 2019

Ella Jeannette
Connell-Bair
Sept. 16, 1928 - May 5, 2019

Bonnie Davies
Feb. 23, 1950 - June 17, 2019

Gregory Mark Dziak
Dec. 13, 1957 - May 12, 2019

Bill Gilbert
MISSOULA, MT
Feb. 13, 1924 - May 8, 2019

Roger O. Hansen
Died May 18, 2019

Rev. John A. Cozby
ANACONDA, MT
Sept. 19, 1943 - June 4, 2019

Grace Norma
Mattheson Davis
May 14, 1927 - May 18, 2019

Geraldine Claire
Myers Faulkner
Nov. 5, 1935 - May 8, 2019

Edward “Chub” Gill Sr.
HELENA, MT
1917 - 2019

Rita Mae (Schara)
Harrington
Aug. 31, 1923 - May 15, 2019
Harrison - Keltner

Benjamin “Ben” Eugene Harrison
Feb. 23, 1978 - May 10, 2019

Mary Louise James Hill
Nov. 7, 1952 - June 15, 2019

Thomas Joseph Hughes
Nov. 21, 1927 - May 28, 2019

Judith Helen Jacobson
Feb. 26, 1939 - June 20, 2019

Dennis Milton Johnson
HAMILTON, MT
Sept. 28, 1948 - May 31, 2019

Judy Lee Schaefer Jones
ANACONDA, MT
Nov. 6, 1941 - May 7, 2019

Alton M. “Pup” Harwood
Dec. 22, 1924 - April 5, 2019

Wendy Marie Holm Hoar
March 7, 1963 - June 23, 2019

Ernie Harold Huot
ANACONDA, MT
Nov. 14, 1960 - April 16, 2019

Keaton Jaeger
Dec. 13, 2005 - May 19, 2019

Rose Marie (Rowe) Johnson
BUTTE, MT
March 14, 1930 - May 26, 2019

Merlin James Hecock
Feb. 10, 1931 - May 19, 2019

Pamela Ann Hogart
Died May 25, 2019

Marion Rose Schonsberg Isola
ANACONDA, MT
April 17, 1925 - May 15, 2019

Glenn M. James
LIVONIA, MI
May 30, 1935 - June 2, 2019

Jonathan Keltner
PHILIPSBURG, MT
Sept. 10, 1997 - May 9, 2019

Mary Hess
ANACONDA, MT
Feb. 3, 1926 - June 3, 2019

Kenneth Wayne Hudson
Aug. 8, 1957 - May 14, 2019

Gary Wayne “Jake” Jacobs
MISSOULA, MT
Oct. 11, 1948 - May 18, 2019

Frank E. Jeniker
July 20, 1923 - Dec. 20, 2018

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July 11, 1926 - May 11, 2019

Bernadine “Bernie” Krsul
Nov. 19, 1932 - May 25, 2019

Christian “Chris” Leven-good
March 13, 1939 - June 20, 2019

Patricia Louise Lujan
April 23, 1931 - May 1, 2019

Juanita “Joyce” Maehl
May 12, 1931 - May 22, 2019

Bridget Madeline Mallo
BUTTE, MT
Jan. 28, 2004 - May 5, 2019

Rhonda Darlene Kraus
CASPER, MT
Nov. 9, 1958 - May 12, 2019

Howard Lou Lawson
Aug. 1, 1933 - May 20, 2019

Ronald Lowney
Born Sept. 12, 1945

Kevin L. Macintyre
Died May 8, 2019

Ross Henry Makin
ANACONDA, MT
Sept. 25, 1972 - June 20, 2019

Gary W. Mannix
Nov. 29, 1946 - June 15, 2019

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Emmett “Mick” McCauley
BOULDER, MT
Dec. 17, 1928 - May 6, 2019

Daniel “Danny” Martin McGrath
Jan. 25, 1960 - May 25, 2019

David Edward Meier
BUTTE, MT
Dec. 2, 1932 - May 14, 2019

Cora Evelyn Miller
Nov. 17, 1919 - Feb. 19, 2019

Evelyn Carol Mitchell
BUTTE, MT
Sept. 22, 1941 - June 15, 2019

Daniel Kurtis Marquardt
Feb. 16, 1942 - June 9, 2019

Emmett Owen McCormick
SEATTLE, WA
Feb. 27, 1947 - June 13, 2019

Elizabeth Ann “Betty” McNabb
BUTTE, MT
March 15, 1936 - June 17, 2019

Roger W. Miljies
Aug. 23, 1945 - June 16, 2019

Dr. David Bruce Mitchell
Sept. 14, 1963 - April 19, 2019

Joel Morales
Sept. 15, 1955 - June 10, 2019

Rose Marie Marthaller
BUTTE, MT
Oct. 30, 1946 - June 22, 2019

Brody Allan Martin
Nov. 8, 2018 - June 6, 2019

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Neitz - Rotondi

Dean Albert Neitz
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Sept. 19, 1928 - May 17, 2019

Louis Norton
April 19, 1945 - May 28, 2019

Charlotte Elizabeth
“Betty” O’Donnell
June 23, 1921 - May 17, 2019

Barbara J. Parke
Aug. 5, 1948 - May 26, 2019

Diana Quintana Rintala
Butte, MT
Jan. 22, 1939 - May 7, 2019

Jack Robison
July 13, 1935 - May 28, 2019

Gary David Norman
Born Nov. 20, 1958

Darcy Jean O’Connor
Oct. 29, 1959 - May 6, 2019

Carol Jahns Orr
June 28, 1923 - May 29, 2019

Linda Kay Rajacich
April 9, 1952 - May 15, 2019

John Richard
“Dick” Roberts
Jan. 22, 1939 - May 7, 2019

Ruth Rotondi
Died June 13, 2019

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Wagner - Zeller

Eugene Robert Wagner
BUTTE, MT
Oct. 21, 1956 - March 21, 2019

Margaret “Pinkie” Warner
 Died May 26, 2019

Nielsine Lowney Wayrynen
 BUTTE, MT
 Nov. 5, 1923 - June 4, 2019

Elizabeth “Liz” Brenner Younggren
HORSE PRAIRIE, MT
Jan. 8, 1941 - April 27, 2019

Don Waltee
WHITEHALL, MT
May 26, 1937 - May 27, 2019

Jack L. Waugh
June 4, 1930 - March 10, 2019

Margie Ann Wogamon
COLUMBUS, NE
Died Feb. 10, 2019

Susan Lynne Ayers Zeller
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According to the United States Department of Health & Human Services, there are two ways to sign up to be an organ donor. From the comfort of your home, visit their website and fill out a simple form. If you would rather complete the process with a representative, the experts at the local Department of Motor Vehicles can help.

How you can help

Adults who are legal citizens in the United States are eligible to donate organs at the time of death, and, in some cases, during their lifetime. Of course, certain diseases may inhibit you from becoming a donor; be honest about your health conditions during registration.

Some things that may prevent someone from applying are an HIV infection, cancer or a systemic infection. Keep in mind that organs that aren’t affected from these diseases may qualify, so visit a representative to discuss your options.
Ensuring the cost of a funeral is covered before the time of death will guarantee your family is not left with the financial burden.

According to the National Funeral Directors Association, the average cost of a funeral with viewing and burial services was $7,360 in 2017. Consider the burden loved ones face if there is no policy in place to cover the cost. This expense can cripple the financial security of family members, especially if there are responsible for other unresolved debts.

**Burial insurance**

Burial life insurance immediately pays your beneficiary at the time of death. They are free to disperse the money as they wish. Most find peace of mind by covering funeral expenses, medical bills or outstanding debts which may be owed.

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**When to update your will**

There are many occurrences that require an update to estate-planning documents. A will is your ironclad way to disperse your assets to loved ones as you wish. Here are a few of the top reasons you may need to update this important document.

**Changes in financial situation**

There may come a time when you decide to increase or decrease the inheritance you are leaving behind for loved ones.

For instance, if you receive a large sum of money, it’s possible to alter your will to add a new beneficiary or make an increase towards those currently on your list.

On the other hand, if you experience financial misfortune, it’s necessary to adjust the document to pay out less and ensure your estate’s obligations can still be met.

**Changes in tax laws**

It can be hard to stay up to date on constantly changing tax laws, but it’s necessary to keep your final document in good legal standing. Especially if your will takes actions to address estate tax issues, it’s a good idea to receive periodic reviews by a professional attorney.

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How to choose cremation services

Making plans for your funeral is a tough subject. Most people would rather skip the subject or opt to have others plan their funerals. But the reality is procrastination or avoidance does not change reality.

It’s also worth planning ahead because funeral costs can be a major burden on the deceased’s family. Cremation services are becoming more popular these days because of high funeral costs. They can be a cost-effective alternative to traditional burials.

Making decisions in advance about cremation services can take the burden off loved ones during a painful time. Otherwise, they will need to make tough choices while stressed and grieving.

With cremation, the family doesn’t have to purchase an expensive casket. Loved ones may spend more money than they can afford in an effort to respect the memory of the deceased.

But a cremation service is an affordable way to respectfully memorialize a friend or family member. The service can be a peaceful time to grieve and remember.

A funeral home may have a partnership or connection with a cremation center. They may have additional services, such as grief counseling or assistance with necessary paperwork.

After the cremation, you will receive an urn. You can choose to bury the urn, keep it in your home or place it in a memorial building.

By doing a little research and choosing wisely, you can make the process a little easier for loved ones during a difficult time.

Health care directives

When you become too frail or sick to make your own decisions on end-of-life health care, the emotional strain is passed to your family or loved ones. Not only can this cause incredible stress, the avenue they take may not be the route you had in mind. Be open and honest about your final wishes.

Don’t procrastinate when creating an advance-care plan. Age isn’t the only factor that should be considered. A medical crisis that leaves you too ill to make your own decisions could strike at any time.

Types of facilities

Visit different facilities to make the decision on where you will stay if you become disabled to the point you can’t take care of yourself. It’s important to have a plan for different stages of life. Here are a few to consider.

If you require minimal assistance to live your day-to-day life, an assisted living community is a great option. You have the freedom to reside in your own space yet receive help in areas like laundry services, prepared meals and personal care.

A nursing home is a better option when you need constant assistance from medical professionals. Here, you can receive 24-hour supervision and help with daily necessities like bathing, grooming and medical management.
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