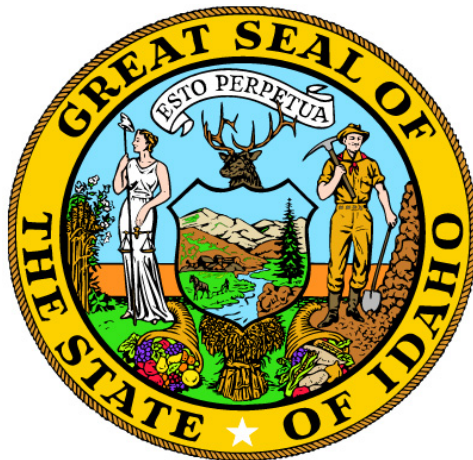


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# MEMORIAL SERVICE

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IN THE  
SUPREME COURT  
OF THE  
STATE OF IDAHO



March 8, 2023  
Boise, Idaho

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### Judges

Robert E. Wakefield  
William C. Hamlett  
Gregory S. Anderson  
Eugene A. Marano

### Resided In

Coeur d'Alene  
Moscow  
Idaho Falls  
Coeur d'Alene

### Deceased

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**JUDGES**

# **RESOLUTIONS**

**IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO**

**A Resolution in Memory of**

**HONORABLE ROBERT E. WAKEFIELD, DECEASED  
1936 – 2021**

**CHIEF JUDGE – COEUR D'ALENE TRIBAL COURT**

**MOTION IN MEMORIAL  
TO THE HONORABLE JUSTICES OF THE  
SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO**

The undersigned, a member of the Memorial Service Committee appointed by this Court, respectfully submits the following resolution:

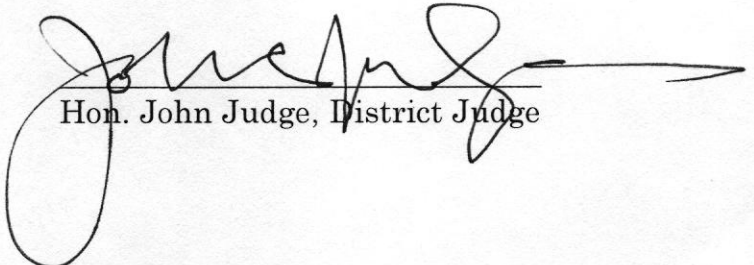
WHEREAS, with this Special Memorial Resolution, we gratefully acknowledge **Robert E. Wakefield's** service and devotion to the Idaho Judiciary, legal profession and the pursuit of justice, and affirm our commitment to those principles and ideals, which always guided our departed colleague.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this Honorable Court, the committee, and the members of the Bar do now offer our permanent tribute to departed member, **Robert E. Wakefield**, in sincere recognition and appreciation of his outstanding service to this State and Nation, and pause for a moment in honor and fond remembrance.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution be recorded upon the minutes and records of this Court, to serve as a perpetual remembrance in honor and respect to this deserving individual.

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we extend to his family our sincere sympathy and that the Clerk of this Court send a copy of this Resolution to the family as a memorialization of this date.

Respectfully submitted this 8th day of March, 2023.

  
Hon. John Judge, District Judge

**IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO**

**A Resolution in Memory of**

**JUDGE WILLIAM CARY HAMLETT, DECEASED  
1942 – 2022**

**MAGISTRATE JUDGE – SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT  
1985-2022**

**MOTION IN MEMORIAL  
TO THE HONORABLE JUSTICES OF THE  
SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO**

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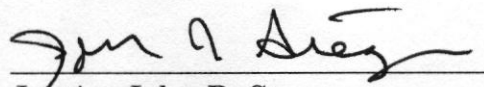
WHEREAS, with this Special Memorial Resolution, we gratefully acknowledge Judge **William Cary Hamlett's** service and devotion to the Idaho Judiciary, the legal profession and the pursuit of justice, and affirm our commitment to those principles and ideals, which always guided our departed colleague.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this Honorable Court, the committee, and the members of the Bar do now offer our permanent tribute to departed member **William Cary Hamlett** in sincere recognition and appreciation of his outstanding service to this State and Nation and pause for a moment in honor and fond remembrance.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution be recorded upon the minutes and records of this Court, to serve as a perpetual remembrance in honor and respect to this deserving colleague.

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we extend to his family our sincere condolences and that the Clerk of this Court send a copy of this Resolution to the family as a memorialization of this action.

Respectfully submitted this 8th day of March 2023.

  
Justice John R. Stegner



**IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO**

**A Resolution in Memory of**

**HONORABLE GREGORY SCOTT ANDERSON, DECEASED  
1945 – 2022**

**DISTRICT JUDGE – SEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT**

**MOTION IN MEMORIAL  
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SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO**

The undersigned, a member of the Memorial Service Committee appointed by this Court, respectfully submits the following resolution:

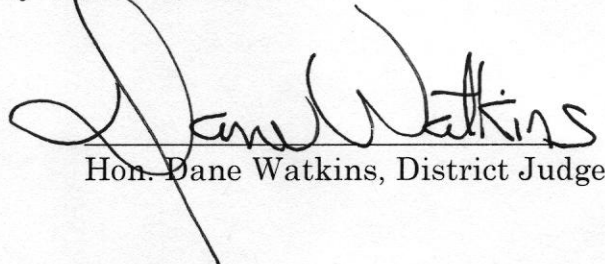
WHEREAS, with this Special Memorial Resolution, we gratefully acknowledge **Gregory Scott Anderson's** service and devotion to the Idaho Judiciary, legal profession and the pursuit of justice, and affirm our commitment to those principles and ideals, which always guided our departed colleague.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this Honorable Court, the committee, and the members of the Bar do now offer our permanent tribute to departed member, **Gregory Scott Anderson**, in sincere recognition and appreciation of his outstanding service to this State and Nation, and pause for a moment in honor and fond remembrance.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution be recorded upon the minutes and records of this Court, to serve as a perpetual remembrance in honor and respect to this deserving individual.

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we extend to his family our sincere sympathy and that the Clerk of this Court send a copy of this Resolution to the family as a memorialization of this date.

Respectfully submitted this 8th day of March, 2023.

  
Hon. Dane Watkins, District Judge

**IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO**

**A Resolution in Memory of**

**HONORABLE EUGENE "GENE" A. MARANO, DECEASED  
1944 - 2022**

**MAGISTRATE JUDGE - FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT**

**MOTION IN MEMORIAL  
TO THE HONORABLE JUSTICES OF THE  
SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO**

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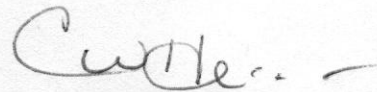
WHEREAS, with this Special Memorial Resolution, we gratefully acknowledge **Eugene A. Marano's** service and devotion to the Idaho Judiciary, legal profession and the pursuit of justice, and affirm our commitment to those principles and ideals, which always guided our departed colleague.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this Honorable Court, the committee, and the members of the Bar do now offer our permanent tribute to departed member, **Eugene A. Marano**, in sincere recognition and appreciation of his outstanding service to this State and Nation, and pause for a moment in honor and fond remembrance.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution be recorded upon the minutes and records of this Court, to serve as a perpetual remembrance in honor and respect to this deserving individual.

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we extend to his family our sincere sympathy and that the Clerk of this Court send a copy of this Resolution to the family as a memorialization of this date.

Respectfully submitted this 8th day of March, 2023.



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Hon. Charles Hosack, District Judge



# **OBITUARIES**



**THE HONORABLE ROBERT E. WAKEFIELD**  
1936 - 2022

Judge Robert E. Wakefield, Colonel K.R. Liston-Wakefield, USMC, “Bob” lived a life of duty, of service, of adventure, and of love. Born November 24, 1936, he died peacefully with his children at his side after a short battle with cancer. In his 84 years, he achieved more than most could achieve in several lifetimes.

Bob graduated from UC Berkeley in 1959 with military distinction, then graduated from the Marine Corps Command and Staff College, and then graduated from the Naval War College with Highest Distinction. Bob’s lengthy list of commands and tours as a Marine officer demonstrates his skills, his commitment, and his courage.

Over time, Col. Wakefield was a Commanding Officer of two Companies, two Battalions, and a Regiment. He was Chief of Staff at Brigade and Fleet Marine Force Headquarters. He commanded two Reconnaissance units and, as a parachutist and scuba diver, pioneered the use of submarines for amphibious reconnaissance. He saw combat in Vietnam and was awarded the Purple Heart during the Tet Offensive and the battle of Hue City. He developed combined arms tactics that prepared the Regiment for Operation Desert Storm. While these accomplishments are impressive, along with many others, Col. Wakefield cherished most the Marines that he led and fought alongside. He was a proud Marine.

Bob was also a scholar of history, literature, music, and lengthy jokes. He maintained a curious mind and sense of humor throughout his life.

Bob “retired” in June 1989 as Chief of the General Staff, Fleet Marine Force Pacific. Of course, he couldn’t stop there. Instead, he enrolled at the University of Idaho College of Law and graduated Cum Laude in 1992. His intellect and discipline served him well in law school, and those qualities also served the people he then represented. He founded a law firm in Moscow, Wakefield and Dwelle, and became the supervising attorney in the

Tribal Law Clinic at the law school, representing tribal members in both Nez Perce and Coeur d'Alene Tribal Courts.

Bob's generosity had no bounds. He served as a judge at the College of Law moot court competitions, he presented to law students in a variety of classes, and he mentored many transitioning into the real world of practicing law. As a lawyer, Bob handled a variety of cases, both criminal and civil, including family and probate law. For 26 years, Wakefield and Dwelle served as general counsel to Gritman Medical Center. Bob took on many cases pro bono without hesitation and was active in the district and state bar associations and the Ray McNichols American Inn of Court. He was a respected advocate for his clients, for the law, and for justice.

As if all of this wasn't enough, Judge Wakefield finished his distinguished legal career by serving five years as a Tribal Judge as Chief Judge of the Coeur d'Alene Tribal Court and the Coeur d'Alene Tribal Court of Appeals, again, with distinction.

In addition to his legal advocacy, Bob was tireless in advocating for and supporting veterans. He also supported the Boy Scouts of America, having been an Eagle Scout, and volunteered on the Moscow Volunteer Fire Department where he enjoyed the title of "Firefighter Bob."

Bob may have worn many different hats, but he was always a Marine. And that required physical fitness and adventure. Bob was a runner, a cyclist, a fly fisher, a scuba diver, a pilot, a pheasant hunter, a sailor, a rock climber, a mountaineer, and a world traveler. In 2007, Bob served in Kunduz, Afghanistan, for the State Department's Justice Support Program.

Bob will be missed by many: his family, his daughter and son and their spouses, his four grandchildren, his three great-grandchildren, his colleagues, his friends, his Marines.

He has been in service to all of us throughout his life. May he rest in peace, knowing he has left an inspiring legacy of duty, discipline, and generosity.

*Robert E. Wakefield, 85, passed away on September 29, 2021.*



**THE HONORABLE WILLIAM CARY HAMLETT**  
1942 – 2022

William Cary (Bill) Hamlett was born in Paris, Texas in 1942. He passed away following a long and fruitful career on February 3, 2022.

Bill's parents were William, a physician, and Mary a public health nurse. Bill's father served in the Navy and went missing in action during his military service in Korea when Bill was 7. After her husband's death, Mary took a job in Ely, Nevada, moving there with Bill (who was known in Ely as "Tex") where he was raised.

Bill's mother passed away while he was in high school, leaving him parentless. A group of local ladies in Ely took him in, and gave him the job as their house handyman. He described Nevada in the 1950s as a mythic place: while in high school his class was taken to watch atomic bomb test explosions, visible to a student's naked eye.

He attended the University of California, Berkeley on an NROTC and track scholarships. During his track career, he nearly cleared seven feet in the high jump. After graduation, he entered the Marine Corps in the 1960s, serving two tours in Vietnam and earning two Purple Hearts and a Bronze Star. He mustered out a Captain in the Marine Corps. SEMPER FI. Following his time in Vietnam, he pursued a Master's degree in English at the University of California, Irvine.

In 1970, he used his VA bill benefits to attend the College of Law at the University of Idaho. At the time, he turned down an offer to attend St. Louis University Medical School, his father's alma mater. Upon graduation and passing the Idaho bar, he progressed from private attorney, public defender, prosecutor, magistrate judge until finally senior magistrate judge. Judge Hamlett was originally appointed as a magistrate judge July 1, 1985. He began serving as a senior judge January 1, 2009. All told, he served 36½ years as a magistrate judge in Idaho. He took the job of judge seriously, mentoring all those lawyers who appeared before him. You had to be well-prepared if you wanted to meet his

high standards. Woe be to any who came before him unprepared. He taught criminal procedure at the University of Idaho for many years.

In 1989, Bill married Peggy Wright, a tough, smart and lovely woman and they were together for more than three decades until Bill's death. She was the love of Bill's life. According to his autobiographical obituary, Bill made Peggy smarter, and Peggy made Bill sexier.

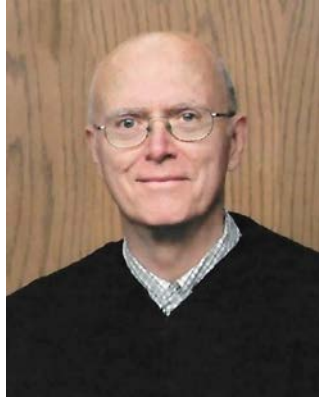
At the time of his death, Bill was survived by his wife, Peggy, his loyal dog, Lupita, many loving cats, his Aunt Ruth Pozza and his wife's niece, Emily Baker.

After fighting stage four non-Hodgkin's lymphoma, mantle cell lymphoma, lung cancer, small cell Hodgkin's lymphoma, throat cancer and COPD for twenty years, Bill finally succumbed; however, he worked up until the week before he passed.

Bill was a charitable man who had a kind heart. He enjoyed mentoring attorneys and helping local troublemakers who had good hearts who trouble just seemed to find. He attempted to mete out justice with a sense of proportionality and common sense. He had a strong mind which retained its vigor to the last. He lived a useful and honest life. He will be missed by all who knew him.

*William Cary Hamlett, 79, passed away on February 3, 2022.*





## **THE HONORABLE GREGORY SCOTT ANDERSON**

**1945 - 2022**

Gregory Scott Anderson was born on September 21, 1945, in Twin Falls, Idaho, to Ralph Stanley and Winnie Elaine Maheras Anderson. He gently passed from this life on his 77th birthday September 21, 2022, in Idaho Falls, Idaho, due to complications of late-stage Parkinson's Disease.

He spent his childhood and youth in Rexburg, Idaho. As a youth, he enjoyed sports like diving, swimming, golfing, skiing, and fishing. He didn't particularly like hunting because his dad didn't have a dog, and when he went hunting with his dad that just meant that he was the bird dog.

He spent a lot of time working with his parents at the Anderson Photo Company on Main Street in Rexburg. He loved to spend time at the family cabin in Island Park.

He was an excellent student and was Valedictorian of his class at Madison High School. He earned many different scholarships for college. He graduated from Ricks College and then continued on to the University of Idaho where he graduated number one in his engineering class with a BS in Chemical Engineering. He received a Masters in Chemical Engineering from Brigham Young University and a Juris Doctor from the University of Michigan.

He was an active member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He served a mission to the Northwestern States, Pacific Northwest Mission. He served in many callings during his life, but his favorite was as Bishop of a student ward at BYU-I. He believed in the Savior, Jesus Christ.

He met Marilyn at BYU, and their first date was the result of him winning a bet with her. They were married on January 22, 1972, in the Cardston Alberta Canada Temple. It was 20 degrees below 0 when they got to Canada for the wedding, and that was as warm as it got the whole time they were there.

Between graduating with his Master's Degree in Chemical Engineering and going to law school, Greg worked for Dow Chemical. It was at that time his daughter, Kelly, was born. Cecily, his second daughter, was born while he was attending law school. After graduating from law school, the family moved to Idaho Falls where Greg started practicing law. It was there that his son, Scott, and third daughter, Meridith, were born.

Greg loved his family above all and he was a great father and husband. He loved to take them hiking, skiing, and boating. He enjoyed attending their sports events. He especially enjoyed hiking, camping, and fishing with his son, Scott. His only problem with his children was when he tried to help them with their math homework. He couldn't understand why they didn't get it because it was so easy. He was so proud of his children and grandchildren.

After practicing law in Idaho Falls for 18 years, he was appointed District Court Judge in the Seventh Judicial District. He served in that position for 16 years, and then as a Senior District Judge for a few years after that.

He was a man of great intelligence and integrity. He always tried to do what he believed was right. He believed in the law. He was very meticulous in everything he did.

*Gregory Scott Anderson, 77, passed away on September 21, 2022.*



**THE HONORABLE EUGENE A. MARANO**  
1944 - 2022

Gene was born in Tacoma, Washington on August 12, 1944.

From an early age he learned the value of hard work, often picking berries to contribute to the family income. His teenage years were spent working at a local hardware and lumber business which helped him complete his education at St. Patrick's School, then under the Jesuit supervision at Bellermine High School where he made lifelong friendships with the "Bellermine Boys". Gene was a decent athlete, notable student and skilled debater.

After earning his bachelor's degree in history at Gonzaga University, Gene volunteered to join the Armed Forces where he earned his commission as a 2nd Lieutenant in the United States Air Force. After completing Officer's Training and Intelligence Schools, Lieutenant (and later) Captain Marano served in a variety of intelligence positions, most notably in Takhli, Thailand where he was engaged in the operations of the Vietnam War. Upon returning from overseas, he was stationed at Wright Patterson AFB in Dayton, Ohio. After receiving an honorable discharge in 1972, he continued to serve in the Air Force Reserves at Fairchild AFB.

Gene completed his juris doctorate degree at Gonzaga in 1976 and began his legal career in Coeur d'Alene as a Kootenai County deputy prosecuting attorney. Gene also served as a public defender before entering into private practice. In 1985, he was appointed to be a First District Magistrate Judge where he served for 24 years. He was honored to be appointed by the Supreme Court to serve as a Senior Judge until his full retirement.

Gene found great professional pride in his role as a Drug Court Judge. As mentioned in a press tribute, "Marano was a judicial pioneer. He and colleague Judge James Judd in 1998 created the Kootenai County Drug Court, the first of its kind in Idaho."

Gene continued to serve his community after retiring by serving on the Fernan Lake Village City Council beginning in 2018.

Much like his baseball idol, Yogi Berra, Gene was a master of one-line wit, and like Berra, wore #8 while playing youth baseball in Tacoma and later, adult softball teams in North Idaho. Gene was an avid fisherman, woodworker, sports aficionado, wine connoisseur and gardener. More than anything, Gene love spending time with his family. His legacy of treatment court, judicial/educational partnerships and quick wit will be remembered for a long time to come.

*Eugene A. Marano, 78, passed away on November 1, 2022.*

# **ATTORNEYS**



# RESOLUTION

# IDAHO SUPREME COURT MEMORIAL SERVICE

March 8, 2023

We, the undersigned members of the Memorial Service Committee appointed by the Court for the year 2023, respectfully submit the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, the Supreme Court of the State of Idaho has designated March 8, 2023, at 10:00 a.m., as the time and place fixed to memorialize the passing of those worthy members of the State Bar of Idaho and to acknowledge the substantial contributions made by each of them during their lifetimes to the defense of freedom and the pursuit of justice, the perpetuation and improvement of our government of laws, and the orderly process of constitutional government; and,

WHEREAS, with this Memorial Resolution, we gratefully acknowledge their outstanding service and devotion to the legal profession and the pursuit of justice, and we affirm our own commitment to those principals and ideals, which always guided our departed colleagues,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we, this Honorable Court and the members of its Bar, as the names of the Judges and Attorneys who have departed are presented for lasting recognition, do now offer our permanent tribute to those departed members in sincere recognition and appreciation of their outstanding service to this state and nation and pause for a moment in honor and fond remembrance:

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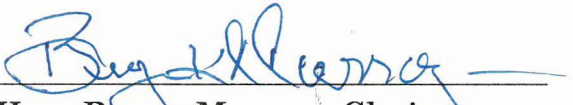
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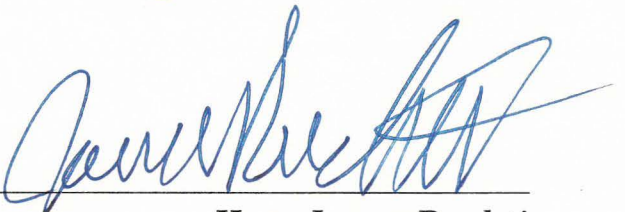
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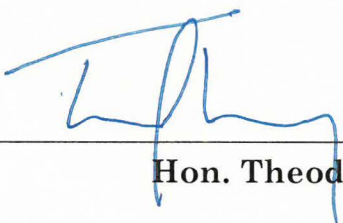
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution be recorded upon the minutes and records of this Court to serve as a perpetual remembrance in honor and respect to those deserving individuals;

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we extend to their families our sincere sympathy and that the Clerk of this Court send a copy of this Resolution to the family of each individual whose passing is memorialized on this date.

DATED this 8th day of March, 2023.

  
Hon. Bryan Murray, Chairperson

  
Hon. James Ruchti

  
Hon. Theodore Fleming

# **OBITUARIES**





## **VAN G. BISHOP**

1946 – 2021

Van was born on August 22, 1946 in Nampa. He was raised in Nampa until 1952, when his family moved to Jerome, where his father started a tractor sales company giving Van the opportunity to “drag main” on a tractor.

Van went to college at Utah State University for a short time, and afterward returned to Nampa to work at the local radio stations KCID & KYET. He was then drafted into the United States Army in 1967. After returning home, he joined the police department in Oakland, California, where he worked on routine patrol and in a special operations section on a felony squad during the Black Panther movements.

Van went on to help set up the 911 emergency system for the State of California in 1974 while attending the Lincoln University School of Law. He graduated in 1975 and he and a law school friend opened a practice together in Fremont, California.

In 1981, he moved back to Idaho to raise his family. Van became the Canyon County Public Defender in 1982, where he served the community for 14 years. He then continued in private practice until 2010. His office was a training ground for many attorneys and he was proud to say he had given a start to many of the attorneys and judges in the area. The day someone called him “an institution” at the courthouse made him proud.

Van lived and played hard throughout his life. His many adventures included flying, announcing sporting events and even buying a radio station. He purchased a bed and breakfast and fishing villa in El Fuerte, Mexico in 1991, where he retired.

After retirement, Van kept himself busy. He worked part time with his daughter accompanying her on all of her death penalty mitigation trips throughout the remote villages of Mexico. He also volunteered as the defense attorney on a few additional cases.

He loved to play tour guide to his many visiting friends, listen to live music, play golf, walk the beach, teach people how to boogie board, gab about the world’s problems, and send messages to everyone about how wonderful the sunny blue skies and ocean breezes were in Mexico. A friend of his eloquently summed up his life with, “Van lived life as an adventure that others only dream about.”

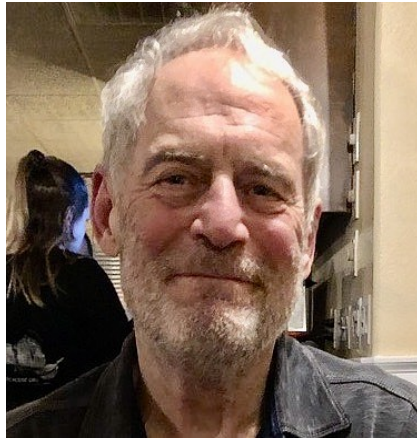
*VanNoy (Van) Gray Bishop, 74, passed away on February 8, 2021.*

**KERWIN CHARLES BENNETT**

*Kerwin Charles Bennett passed away on December 14, 2021.*

**LOUIS W. GRANT III**  
Meridian, Idaho

*Louis W. Grant III, passed away on January 3, 2022.*



**RICHARD WILLIAM KOCHANSKY**  
1942 – 2022

Richard was born in Elizabeth, New Jersey on January 22, 1944, to first generation Polish-Americans.

Richard was very grateful to be able to attend St. Benedict's Prep in Newark, where he excelled at baseball and football, able to be inducted (2011) to the sports hall of fame. He went on to attend the College of the Holy Cross on a sports scholarship, particularly excelling in football.

After graduating from Holy Cross with a degree in history, Richard taught and coached at Archmere Academy in Delaware for several years. He continued to teach, this time at inner-city primary schools, while attending the University of Detroit Law School. He received his JD from the University of Detroit in 1970 and went on to earn a master of laws in taxation from Wayne State University. After working briefly for Chrysler Corporation, he went into private practice in Detroit, and continued there until relocating west to North Idaho in 1980. He was licensed in both Idaho and Washington, with his main office in Coeur d'Alene for the next 40+ years.

Richard was active for many years as a high school sports official for both football and baseball, as well as a volunteer official and coach at the community level. He volunteered for many local organizations through the years, including as volunteer attorney for Kootenai County YMCA and the St. Vincent DePaul Society, assistant district administrator and umpire-in-chief for Little League baseball, president of the North Idaho Officials Association and in many leadership roles at Unity Spiritual Center of North Idaho.

Richard always had a heart and passion for teaching and for empowering young people. In addition to his early teaching positions, he taught history and political science at North Idaho College for over 20 years.

Richard loved the natural beauty of the Northwest, and one of his greatest joys was spending time outdoors, including long daily walks with his dog Max.

*Richard William Kochansky, 77, passed away on January 13, 2022.*



**ROBERT "BOB" KINNEY**  
1946 - 2022

Robert "Bob" Kinney was born on September 13, 1946 in Yakima, Washington, where he spent his first 18 years.

Bob was a veteran of the United States Army Reserve from the 1960s. He received a Bachelor of Arts degree from Central Washington University and went on to earn a *Juris Doctor* Degree from the University of Idaho in 1976.

Bob was a solo law practitioner in Orofino for 19 years. In 1995 he was hired as an Assistant Federal Public Defender in Las Cruces where he diligently defended indigent people accused of crimes in federal court and in May 1996 became head of the Las Cruces Office of the Federal Public Defender where he trained and supervised many lawyers and other employees until 2014 when he retired.

Bob was a long-time member of several criminal defense organizations. At the time of his passing he was an active member of the New Mexico Parole Board, having been appointed by Governor Michelle Lujan Grisham with the consent of the New Mexico State Senate.

Bob gave additional significant time to public service. For weeks at a time he voluntarily taught and assisted young lawyers in Mongolia and in Bulgaria under the sponsorship of the Soros Open Society Foundations. He believed strongly in the Rule of Law. Bob logged 46 years as a licensed lawyer. He was a top-rated criminal defense lawyer, admired by clients, judges, prosecutors, co-workers, other criminal defense attorneys and countless friends. He was proud to have served as court-appointed counsel in nine state and federal death penalty cases. He was among an elite few "death-qualified" lawyers. None of his clients received the death penalty. Bob was a calm, intelligent person who loved horse racing, quality gin, travel, BMWs, New Mexico, scuba diving, ice hockey and lawyering. He believed that his life was a hell of a ride.

*Robert Kinney, 75, passed away on February 16, 2022.*



**ALVA ALTON HARRIS**  
1935 – 2022

Alva was blessed with high energy and had an optimism for life. He was born in Shelby, Montana and raised in Cut Bank, Montana. The winters there were long and cold, often recorded as the coldest place in the nation. His family was poor, and at one time as a child he slept in an unheated boxcar that had been attached to the family's home, with his cat on his chest to help him stay warm. Nonetheless, he thoroughly enjoyed his childhood of rambling throughout the countryside, fishing and swimming in the Cut Bank River during the summers and playing ice hockey in the winters.

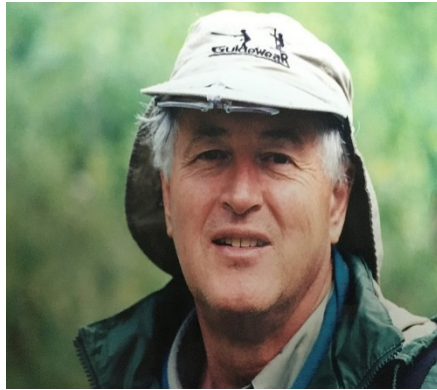
Alva developed a love of sports early in life, lettering in all sports available at Cut Bank High School—throwing the javelin in track, playing catcher in baseball, running many touchdowns in football, and enjoying his favorite sport of all, basketball. In addition, he traveled and performed with the school's a capella choir in Washington, DC, New York and Philadelphia. He graduated from Cut Bank High School in 1952.

His family moved to Provo, Utah, where he attended BYU-Provo, majoring in accounting. During his senior year at BYU he served an internship in Los Angeles, with Haskins & Sells, a national CPA firm. Alva graduated from BYU with a major in accounting in 1959. He then moved to Salt Lake City, where he earned his degree of Juris Prudence of Law from the University of Utah College of Law in 1962. During his senior year of law school, Alva served as a clerk to one of the Utah State Supreme Court Justices.

Alva opened his private law practice office in Shelley in 1962 and continued practicing law there for 55 years until he retired in 2017. Some of his accomplishments while practicing law were creating several large corporations in Southeastern Idaho, spearheading the consolidation of the Bingham County telephone exchanges and organizing the Shelley-Firth Fire Protection District.

Alva had a tremendous amount of energy. He thoroughly enjoyed working both in the law office and on his private enterprises and he continued to play basketball at 6:00 AM three mornings a week, until age 86.

*Alva Alton Harris, 87, passed away on February 23, 2022.*



## **R. ROMER BROWN**

1943 - 2022

R. Romer Brown was born on September 14, 1942 in Kellogg. He spent the bulk of his life in Northern Idaho and recalled struggling to breathe while playing baseball as a kid in Kellogg - his throat burning as he stood in left field near the silver mine smelter. That didn't keep him from working as a mine guide for tourists in the summer.

Romer graduated high school as the only Catholic kid, from St Martin's, in Lacey, Washington. Continuing his studies at Oregon State University, as an Alpha Tau Omega member and ROTC cadet, Romer earned a Bachelor of Science/Social Science Degree in 1965. Following in his father's career path, he attended law school, earning a *Juris Doctorate* Degree at University of Denver in 1968. Continuing with ROTC through law school, Romer gained the rank of First Lieutenant by graduation.

After Romer was admitted to the Idaho State Bar in September of '68, he enlisted in the United States Army as the American War in Vietnam was ramping up. In hindsight, this was brilliant as his birth date was drawn 001 of the 1969 Selective Services Draft. Romer's first assignment with an armor maintenance battalion, was to run a tank repair shop. He admitted to having zero familiarity maintaining anything but quickly figured out it was just managing part orders and doing paperwork. He then completed a tour of duty in Vietnam as a general's aide in Ho Chi Minh City, often accompanying the general to see much of the tropical country by helicopter or driving a jeep. His most memorable experience of the American War in Vietnam was being in an outdoor shower stall while incoming mortar shells went off nearby and having to hug the ground, naked, as explosions eroded his hearing. Prior to being honorably discharged, he gained a rank of Captain and earned a Bronze Star.

Before returning to Idaho, Romer traveled around Europe on his own, igniting a travel bug that he would itch often in his life. Though he traveled as far away as the Cook Islands and Fiji, Romer more often opted closer to home, and most often in the woods, with life-long friends while camping, fishing and hiking.

When he finally made it back to Idaho after the war, Romer served as Assistant District Attorney in Coeur d'Alene for six years, before starting his own law firm, in 1978. The office building and practice was a fixture in downtown Coeur d'Alene until 2015. By 2018, he had been admitted to the practice of law for 50 years.

As a member of Ducks Unlimited, a Kiwanis Club Kiwanian for 25 years, North Idaho College Foundation Board Director, a founder of Family Promise of North Idaho which provides support to end family homelessness, it was clear to many that Romer spent a great deal of time and resources to better his local community through philanthropic endeavors, not only as a part of these organizations, but individually. There's a good chance you or someone you know in the community was impacted by Romer's time and efforts.

*R. Romer Brown, 79, passed away on February 26, 2022.*





**PHILIP CRAIG STORTI**  
1946 - 2022

Philip Craig Storti was born in San Francisco on April 13, 1946. Upon the death of his father, Craig and his mom relocated to Buhl to be near extended family and where she served as a school teacher.

Craig excelled academically, athletically and socially through the Buhl public school system. He graduated as Valedictorian from Buhl High School and, among various other clubs and activities, starred as quarterback for the football team, point guard for the basketball team and led the Indians golf team.

Craig attended the University of Idaho, earning a degree in economics. Craig was a proud member of the Phi Gamma Delta fraternity through which he developed many valuable and lifelong friendships within the Fiji House and beyond.

Craig enrolled in law school at Hastings College of Law in San Francisco, earning his law degree at the top of his class in 1971. Upon graduation, Craig served as a law clerk to Idaho Supreme Court Justice Robert Bakes.

In 1972, after passing the California and Idaho Bar Exams, Craig entered the United States Marine Corps and served as a Captain in the Judge Advocate General Corps. While serving, he spent time in Quantico and then Camp Pendleton in California.

In 1975, Craig and his family returned to Boise, where he was employed with Idaho's oldest and largest law firm, Hawley Troxell Ennis & Hawley. Craig loyally and proudly served the firm for nearly 40 years, first as an associate attorney, then partner and then Managing Partner. He developed a stellar reputation as a tough, but fair, trial attorney, ultimately specializing in construction claims litigation. He was invited to be a Fellow in the American College of Trial Lawyers and was also a Member in the American College of Construction Lawyers, among various other professional organizations.

His cases involved widespread travel both domestically and abroad, including large cases in Sweden, Germany and Egypt.

In 2004, he left private practice to serve as an in-house lawyer and Vice President of Litigation and Claims for Washington Group International, Inc. (formerly known as Morrison-Knudsen and later known as URS Corporation) until his retirement in 2015. He also put his expertise and experience to work as a private arbitrator and mediator helping parties resolve their disputes and served on the American Arbitration Association's Construction Panel and on various dispute review boards including for the Idaho Transportation Department.

Craig was also an active contributor to the Boise community, including roles on committees and the Board of the Boise Family YMCA. For decades Craig could be found playing basketball during the lunch hour at the Downtown Y and earned a coveted photo on the "Noon Ball" Wall of Fame. His trademark sweeping left-handed hook shot tallied plenty of points, but he more deeply valued the competition and comradery with the other players, who came from all walks of life.

*P. Craig Storti, 75, passed away on March 4, 2022.*



## **J. ROBERT ALEXANDER**

**1940 - 2022**

Bob was born in Butte, Montana on March 31, 1940. He graduated from Boise High School in 1958 and went on to the University of Idaho, graduating with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in 1962 and University of Idaho Law School in 1964. While at the University of Idaho, Bob was a member of Sigma Chi fraternity, Intercollegiate Knights, and was elected to the Idaho Executive Board.

After he graduated from University of Idaho Law School, he joined the law firm of Benoit & Benoit in Twin Falls. When he became a partner in 1965, the firm became Benoit, Benoit & Alexander. Bob named Ed Benoit as person with greatest influence on his career as well as Harry Benoit as mentor. He cherished his relationships with his partners throughout his career and friendships with other attorneys throughout his life. In 1965, he began serving as the attorney to the College of Southern Idaho, then in its earliest days of establishment.

Bob practiced litigation, with experience in professional and products liability, business litigation, medical malpractice, and personal injury, representing primarily defendants. For the next fifteen years, he devoted his practice to mediation and arbitration and was a hearing officer for the State of Idaho Personnel Department. He was past president of the American Board of Trial Advocates, Idaho Chapter, past president of the Idaho Association of Defense Counsel, a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers, a Fellow of the American Bar Foundation, and past president and master of the Theron W. Ward Chapter of the American Inns of Court.

In 1969, Bob was admitted to practice before the United States Supreme Court with Justice Earl Warren. He served as Lawyer Representative for the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals from 1997-1999; was director of Idaho Law Foundation, 1995-1998; awarded Idaho State Bar Service Award and Professionalism Award for the Fifth District in 2000. In 2009, he received the Idaho State Bar Distinguished Lawyer Award. He also served on the University of Idaho Foundation and was chairman of its Board of Directors.

In 1965, Bob became attorney for the College of Southern Idaho through its inception and growth until his retirement in November of 2018, serving CSI for 53 years. Being attorney for this institution was his greatest pride. Because he spent more time than anyone in the board room, it is now named The Bob Alexander Board Room.

Bob served on the Board of Directors of the new St. Luke's Magic Valley from 2006 to 2016. He contributed to the bond election for the new hospital, its construction, and growth. He served as Board Chairman 2013 - 2015.

Bob's favorite pastime was spending time with his large extended family, including family vacations, family dinners, fishing, duck hunting and golf.

*J. Robert (Bob) Alexander, 81, passed away on March 21, 2022.*



## **E. LEE SCHLENDER**

1942 - 2022

Lee was born in El Centro, California, in 1942. He spent the early part of his childhood in Quinalt, Washington and Reno, Nevada. He graduated from high school in Malta. He was a member of the Idaho State University swim team and earned his bachelor's degree in philosophy, which served him well as he loved to be surrounded by friends and family, philosophizing and sharing good food and fine spirits.

Lee worked as a logger, farmhand and bartender to put himself through law school. He played guitar and sang in his band, Hoggie and the Blossoms, at the University of Idaho. He had a beautiful voice and could sing a mean Elvis tune.

He went on to earn his *juris doctorate* from the University of Idaho College of Law in 1967 and began his exemplary career in law in the Mini-Cassia area but found himself drawn to the Wood River Valley, so he established a highly successful law practice in Ketchum, in the late 60s. To quote a colleague and dear friend, "At the peak of his game, in the 70s and 80s especially, he was a force to be reckoned with. He took on some pretty big players represented by some top-notch trial attorneys and won more than his share." He was certainly a bold character and formidable attorney. Lee took pride in representing the underdog and he put his whole heart and soul into seeing that justice was served and his client's lives were changed for the better.

He was a private pilot and flew to courthouses and law offices throughout Southern Idaho fighting for clients from Payette to Soda Springs. He often volunteered to fly patients to and from their medical appointments in other states. Lee was a generous man and lent a helping hand to many people during his life.

*Erven Tafoya Lee Schlender, 80, passed away on March 28, 2022.*



**CHRISTIAN JONES BERGLUND**

**1974 -2022**

Chris was born August 21, 1974. She attended Boise High School, University of Oregon, Southern Oregon University and finished her undergraduate studies at Boise State University.

After achieving a high LSAT score, she was offered a scholarship to Santa Clara University School of Law which she attended from 1999 until her graduation in 2003. In 2004 she took the Idaho State Bar Exam and upon passing embarked on a legal career she loved.

Her friends said they most appreciated her sharp wit, sense of humor and infectious laugh. She loved the law and lived her conviction for justice through her work both as defense and prosecuting attorney.

*Christian Jones Berglund, 47, passed away on April 15, 2022.*



**DAVID J. LEE**  
1959 – 2022

David J. Lee grew up in Lombard, Illinois and moved to Boise in 1989. He was admitted to the Idaho State Bar that September. David was an avid swimmer, skier, and gardener.

*David J. Lee, 63, passed away on April 16, 2022.*



**MATTHEW MICHAEL HICKS**  
1970-2022

Matt was born in Santa Monica, California on January 31, 1970, and grew up in many cities across the United States as his family moved in support of his father's career at IBM.

Matt attended Baylor University and later Notre Dame Law School. After law school, he moved to Boise where he worked as a law clerk and at various offices, before securing a position at Holland and Hart, and eventually worked his way up to partner. In 2018, he accepted a Senior Counsel position at Albertsons. Matt's colleagues remember his love for an argument, his tenacity, and his relish for victory over his opponents.

Among Matt's wonderful qualities were his great sense of humor and sharp wit, his passion for music and abounding love for his friends and family. He formed unshakable bonds with many friends who shared his love of Notre Dame, sports, and live music. Matt gave back to the music community he loved. He served on the board of Radio Boise, helped found the Boise All-Ages Movement Project, and provided pro bono legal support to the Treefort Music Festival.

*Matthew Michael Hicks, 52, passed away on April 18, 2022.*



**WILLIAM J. SCHWARTZ**  
1950 - 2022

William Schwartz was born June 27, 1950, and was raised in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Bill moved to Idaho to attend law school at the University of Idaho. After graduating, he stayed in Idaho. During his law career he was a prosecutor and a public defender and had a long career in private practice.

*William J. Schwartz, 71, passed away on April 24, 2022.*



## **MARGALIT ZALTZMAN CHAPPELL RYAN**

1968 – 2022

Maggie was born in 1968 in the former Soviet Union. Maggie and her family were expelled from the USSR and immigrated to Israel in 1973 when Maggie was five years old. She served in the Israeli Defense Force for two years before moving to Idaho at the age of 20 to join her family - her parents taught at Idaho State University in Pocatello.

Maggie attended Idaho State University and graduated with a degree in business administration and a concentration in computer systems in 1992. She went on to obtain her law degree at Seattle University in 1996.

Throughout her life Maggie enjoyed traveling and photography and loved spending time with her friends and neighbors in Boise. Maggie was devoted to her work as a family law attorney at the firm Leavitt Ryan, which she co-founded. She was passionate about her work and was a well-known attorney for over 20 years.

*Margalit Zaltzman Chappell Ryan, 54, passed away on April 25, 2022.*



**JAY BEN GASKILL**  
1941 – 2022

Jay was born in Burley on October 15, 1941, and grew up in Idaho Falls, where he developed many of the interests that would mark the rest of his life -- a love for humor and philosophy; science and science fiction; technology and wilderness. He learned to play the French horn, and had a passion for music.

Jay attended the University of Washington and the University of Idaho. He earned his law degree from the University of California, Berkeley School of Law, and began his career as a criminal trial and appellate attorney when he joined the Alameda County Public Defender's Office in Oakland, California.

It was work that suited his strengths as a shrewd strategist, orator, diplomat, writer, and analytical thinker. In 1989, he was appointed Chief Public Defender of Alameda County, supervising 120 attorneys, 20 investigators, and 80 support staff, providing legal defense services to indigent persons in a county of a million people. Colleagues remember his brilliant legal mind, wry sense of humor, and great skill in training others.

But by the year 2000, he was ready to move on. Retiring from the Public Defender's Office, he dove -- enthusiastically -- into a new phase as a columnist, writer, and criminal justice expert. His work included both political commentary (appearing in newspapers and on Jay's website, The Policy Think Site) and fiction (such as *The Extermination Game* and *The Lost Souls Coffee Shop*).

Yet they always circled back to his Idaho home, he returned to his stomping grounds in Swan Valley and the Tetons, the places on earth where Jay never failed to find his bliss.

He regaled his friends and neighbors with his stories and shared his beautiful photography of the places he loved. He enjoyed conversations at the Idaho Falls Exchange Club, and was their keynote speaker in 2019, recounting his experiences in Manhattan during 9/11, and what it taught him about the necessity of opposing evil.

Above all, Jay was an optimist, and he urged us to resist fatalism. As he argued, the human species is "specially equipped with a unique suite of faculties and capabilities, among them the faculties of compassion, creativity, and intelligent life-affirming adaptation." Most human progress "has come about when the optimists... shook off great wheel fatalism."

*Jay Ben Gaskill, 80, passed away on April 26, 2022.*



**DUSTIN LIDDLE**  
1985 - 2022

Dustin Arthur John Liddle, born August 21st, 1985, in Orange, California passed away suddenly from unknown heart related complications on May 16th, 2022, in Boise, Idaho at the age of 36.

Dustin was a very empathetic person who loved animals, nature, and above all, his friends and family. Dustin was always an independent thinker, and in his youth, he had a bit of an anarchist streak that led him to protest for many animal rights and environmental causes. He had a deep thirst for knowledge, and after graduating from South Eugene High School in 2003, he attended the University of Oregon where he graduated with honors in 2009 with a BS in accounting. After working as a CPA at a local accounting firm, he decided once again to expand his horizons and in 2013 he earned his Juris Doctor from the University of Chicago. Dustin and family relocated to Boise, Idaho that year where he began his legal career. Dustin loved Boise, but he did miss the rainy days and beautiful green landscape he loved so much in Eugene.

*Dustin Arthur John Liddle, 36, passed away on May 16, 2022.*



**MATTHEW JAMES MULLANEY, JR.**  
1939 - 2022

Matthew James Mullaney Jr. was born in Cumberland, Maryland on November 11, 1939. He graduated from La Salle High School and went to Catholic University of America for his bachelor's degree in physics and his *juris doctorate*.

Matt moved to Idaho in 1972. He took and passed the Idaho Bar Exam and then became a deputy attorney general for Idaho, eventually transitioning to special assistant to Governor Cecil Andrus. In 1977, after switching to private practice, Matt and John Peavey filed the lawsuit that started the Snake River Adjudication.

Matt earned a nursing degree in 1985 and from 1988-95 he practiced medical malpractice defense in West Virginia. He continued to work in law, his medical knowledge fueled by his nursing studies, established a thriving practice in McMinnville, Oregon in elder law. He brought a compassionate approach to end-of-life legal issues.

Matt enjoyed being physically active and always had a faithful dog with him on his jogs and walks. He cherished his dogs and cats. He loved his motorcycle and visiting the Oregon Coast, treasuring time there with family.

*Matthew James Mullaney, Jr., 82, passed away on May 22, 2022.*



## **WILLIAM GERARD (BILL) POPE**

**1969 - 2022**

Bill was born on November 7, 1969 in La Mirada, California. He grew up “where the 210 ends and the fun begins” - La Verne, California, surrounded by love and many family adventures. In his younger years, he enjoyed camping, spelunking, and being outdoors. He earned his Eagle Scout award at the age of 18. Bill graduated from Bonita High School in 1987.

Bill grew up playing all sports, but from a young age, his passion was baseball. From the time he could stand he had a bat and ball in hand. He played competitively from little league to American Legion, to the collegiate level, traveling the country as a pitcher and first baseman. Bill’s baseball career took him to Brigham Young University where he graduated with a bachelor’s degree in history.

After completing his undergrad, he completed law school at BYU’s J. Reuben Clark Law School where he earned his *juris doctorate*. During law school, Bill was given the Outstanding Writing Award for his paper analyzing labor issues concerning Major League Baseball. He worked for two years as a research assistant and editor for the late Professor LaMar C. Berrett.

Bill was a skilled attorney, and he practiced for over 20 years in Idaho, Utah, and Washington in both the state and federal courts. He was proud to be a partner at the firm Perkins, Mitchell, Pope & McAllister, LLP until April 2022 when he moved his practice to Anderson, Julian & Hull, LLP.

Life truly began when Bill walked in the door. He was fun and full of life. He loved mountain biking, hiking in the Boise foothills, playing guitar, going to rock concerts, listening to loud music, and sticking it to the man. He was a master griller and loved to cook for his family. Bill was a proud L.A. Dodgers fan and loved nothing more than going to Dodgers games at the Ravine.

*William Gerard Pope, 52, passed away on June 3, 2022.*



**KELLY IRA BEEMAN**  
1948 - 2022

Kelly Ira Beeman was born in Boise on January 20, 1948. He graduated from Borah High in 1966 and earned the honor of "most likely to succeed." And, that he did. He was also most likely to have been secretly awarded the "most fun classmate and the most likely to pull a prank on his classmates." He loved life and people. He was always the life of the party and the guy that everyone gravitated to for laughs and great conversation.

Kelly graduated from the University of Oregon with an economics degree, the University of Virginia with a Master's in Business Administration and the University of Oregon with a law degree before returning to Boise to venture out into the business world. At one point, while at University of Oregon's law school it was doubtful he would be allowed to graduate, as he was expelled his second year for running buses of law students, once a month to Reno to gamble for the weekend. Always the entrepreneur, it took his mother to plead with the school to allow him to re-enroll and on the promise he would be on his best behavior until graduation.

Kelly fell in love with New Zealand the summer after his high school graduation on a whirlwind tour of the North and South Island. In 1989, Kelly answered an employment ad in *The Economist* for a Senior Advisor to the Prime Minister for the Department of Treasury. After a lengthy interview with the New Zealand Government officials, and after the Treasury had interviewed all over the world for that right person, Kelly was offered the job. This was his dream job.

While working for the New Zealand government, he worked on setting monetary policies for the New Zealand Reserve Bank and eventually was the managing director of the North American Investment Promotions Unit, a newly created position within the New Zealand Ministry of Commerce and Trade, until his return to the States in 2003. Upon his return to the States, he opened up his law office and practiced until his retirement in 2018. Kelly will be remembered for his kindness, sense of humor, intellect, humility and decency to others.

*Kelly Ira Beeman, 74, passed on June 8, 2022.*





**JOHN CLARENCE WARD**  
1941 – 2022

John was born in Boise on December 3, 1941, and was the middle child of three siblings. He was a descendant of Utah and Idaho pioneers, and as a young boy he enjoyed summers riding with the cowboys on his grandfather's cattle ranch in the Four Corners area in Utah.

After graduating from Borah High School in 1960, John attended Boise Junior College and Stanford University, graduating from Idaho State University in 1964, where he was a member of Phi Sigma Kappa. Although he was accepted to Columbia University in New York, he chose to attend law school at the University of Idaho to be closer to family.

John was born to become a lawyer, following in his father's footsteps. Upon passing the bar exam, he worked at Elam & Burke. Eventually, he became a partner at Langroise, Sullivan & Smylie, Holland & Hart and Moffatt Thomas. He also served as counsel for West One Bank, specializing in corporate law and banking/finance litigation, John was admired for his quick mind, command of the law and revered for his prowess in the courtroom. He was a gifted recruiter and mentor to many.

John was an enthusiastic sportsman and avid Bronco fan. You could count on finding him in the stands, cheering on the basketball and football teams. Anyone who knew John loved his keen insight, sharp wit, creative storytelling and colorful metaphors.

*John Clarence Ward, 80, passed away on June 20, 2022.*



**WILLIAM DALE OLSON**  
1933 - 2022

Bill was born in Mullan during the depression. He experienced the grand adventures of small-town northern Idaho, hopping trains, hitchhiking to the ski hill, learning to jump the creek so he wouldn't be left behind on fishing trips, and taking the bus for exotic high school basketball trips to Coeur d'Alene and western Montana.

Bill attended Idaho State University, where he served as student body president and majored in journalism. He spent summers working for the United States Forest Service as a fire spotter. His greatest skill was scrambling down from his platform at chow time to get his share of food ahead of the much bigger and more numerous firefighters. After graduating from Idaho State in 1956, Bill received a scholarship to attend Washington University School of Law in St. Louis. He worked for his room and board as a bus boy and server for a sorority.

Bill moved back to Idaho in 1959 where he went to work as a law clerk for United States District Court Judge Fred M. Taylor in Boise. After his clerkship, he went to work in Pocatello, forming the law firm that eventually became Racine Olson and where he worked the rest of his legal career.

As a lawyer, Bill was known for his intelligence, professionalism, litigation skill, and mentorship. He was old school. He fished, played golf, attended Idaho State Bar annual meetings, and Idaho State sporting events ("Go Bengals Go!") with his law partners and with opposing counsel. He was also new school, advocating for opportunities for his daughters that were equal to those of his son.

Bill was proud to be a member of the Idaho State Bar for more than 60 years. He was honored with the Bar's highest award in 2008, the Distinguished Lawyer Award. He enjoyed the company of the many fine lawyers he practiced with and against. He was a lawyer's lawyer, serving each client with the zealous advocacy and each court with the complete candor the rules of professional responsibility required.

Bill loved Pocatello and all that it offered - Idaho State, his law firm, great friends, access to great fishing, and hills he could run his dogs in. He was an excellent pet parent to many a Labrador retriever and one lucky found-by-the-side-of-the-road dog.

*William Dale "Bill" Olson, 89, passed away on July 3, 2022.*



**W. MARCUS NYE**  
1945 – 2022

W. Marcus Nye was born in New York City. Having been raised in Pocatello, he claimed native status and spent his whole life living in and serving the State he loved. His education, career and legislative service may have required him to temporarily leave Pocatello, but having concluded his business, he always came back to the city he called home.

After graduation from Pocatello High School where he was student body president in 1963, Mark boarded a train and headed to Cambridge, Massachusetts where he attended Harvard University on a scholarship graduating in 1967. Soon after graduation, he came home to Idaho and in 1974 earned a *juris doctorate* from the University of Idaho, College of Law, where he was a member of the board of editors of the Law Review.

Home again in Pocatello, Mark joined the law firm of Racine, Huntley & Olson. His integrity, intellect and commitment to the law were immediately recognized. He soon was named a partner in the firm which later became Racine, Olsen, Nye and Budge, which is now Racine Olsen.

Mark served one term in the Idaho House of Representatives, and then made the transition to a seat in the Idaho State Senate for three terms. While in the legislature, Mark fought endlessly to make a difference for the people of Idaho. He supported and concentrated on education and growing the economy. He was a voice for all Idahoans and will be remembered by those at the State House as a kind and compassionate man who always had an open door and a dry wit.

Mark enjoyed a long successful career, always willing to lend his energy and expertise where it was helpful. He served on the Board of Governors of the American Bar Association and was past president of the Idaho State Bar Association. Mark was president of the 6<sup>th</sup> District Bar in 1982 and served as president of the Idaho Association of Defense Council in 1983. He was a member of the American Board of Trial Advocates, a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers, and a member of the Idaho Trial Lawyers Association since 1980. In 1995, he boarded a plane every Friday morning for Moscow to lecture future Idaho lawyers on products liability at the College of Law.

*W. Marcus Nye, 76, passed away July 16, 2022.*



**W. LYNN HOSSNER**  
1939 - 2022

Lynn was raised by farmers in Greentimber, just below the Tetons. He attended Greentimber Elementary through the 6th grade and then went in Ashton and graduated from North Fremont High School.

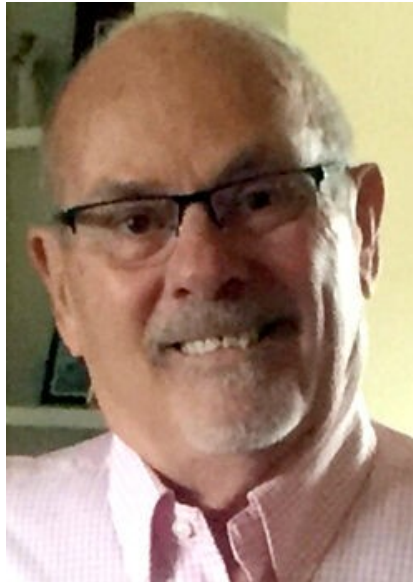
After graduation from high school, Lynn attended the University of Idaho and graduated with a degree in political science. He completed one year of law school at the University of Idaho before transferring to George Washington University where he graduated proudly on June 6, 1965, with his *juris doctorate*. He enjoyed his time there and all of the history that Washington, D.C. had to offer. After graduating he passed both the Idaho and District of Columbia bars.

Lynn was a dedicated, brilliant attorney who was known for providing counsel and mediation to many clients throughout Idaho. He served as prosecuting attorney for 15 years. He was asked to run, on the ballot, as judge but declined because of his love for the challenge of assisting his clients with advice and encouragement. He believed in his clients more so than they sometimes believed in themselves.

The Hossner family owned and operated Hossner Bros. Auction Company for many years. Lynn loved to mingle with the crowd and joke with his staff, which kept the auction fun and lively for everyone. The Hossner farm, in Fremont County, kept Lynn rooted to Greentimber. He loved to help his father and brothers on the farm.

Lynn was passionate about investing in real estate and real estate development. He was still practicing law and discussing potential real estate development up until the time of his death.

*W. Lynn Hossner, 83, passed away on July 20, 2022.*



**ROBERT PARKER TUNNICLIFF**  
1941 - 2022

Robert Tunnicliff was born April 23, 1941 in Seattle, Washington. He was raised in Moscow and graduated from Moscow High School in 1959.

In high school, Bob was an avid athlete, participating in both football and basketball. He was even an honorable mention All-American football running back. He was also involved in many extracurricular activities such as Methodist Youth Fellowship; DeMolay, an international youth leadership organization; served as Idaho Youth Governor in 1959; and Moscow High School student body president.

After graduating from high school, Bob went on to the University of Idaho, where he obtained his undergraduate degree in 1963 and his *juris doctorate* from the University of Idaho School of Law in 1966. He was a member of the Phi Gamma Delta (Fiji) fraternity and served as the University of Idaho freshman class president.

During Bob's life, he worked in the attorney general's office in Boise, was the prosecuting attorney for Owyhee County, was the city attorney of Caldwell to name a few. He also served as a public defender and defense attorney. Bob lived life large, he played racquetball as an adult, was legendarily fast and never lost a footrace. He was a passionate golfer his whole life.

Bob was a devoted father, grandfather, brother, uncle and friend. Every story he told centered around his pride and love of his family and friends.

*Robert Parker Tunnicliff, 81, passed away on July 22, 2022.*



**HYSLER CODY RUNYAN**  
1954 - 2022

*Hysler Cody Runyan, 67, passed away on August 2, 2022.*



**BERT L. OSBORN**  
**1950 - 2022**

Bert Osborn was born on February 11, 1950 in Ephrata, Washington.

Bert was involved in several organizations in high school, including debate and was class president of the class of 1968. Bert graduated from Rupert High School and matriculated to Whitman College in the fall of 1968. He then went on to law school at the University of Idaho. He was on the Idaho Law review and graduated in 1975.

Not only did Bert love practicing law he also became involved in the Payette community in Lion's International Club, El Korah Shriners and Past Worshipful Master in Masons and continued to serve on many boards until his death.

During his free time, Bert enjoyed being outdoors. His favorite time was spent with friends on the river and in the air as a pilot and had recently earned his flight instrument rating.

*Bert L. Osborn, 72, passed away on August 14, 2022.*



**ROBERT A. HUGHES**  
Vancouver, Washington

*Robert A. Hughes passed away on August 19, 2022.*



**ROBERT R. ROMERO, JR.**  
1964 - 2022

Robert was born on August 25, 1964 in Yuba City, California. After graduating from Yuba City High School in 1982, Robert attended college at California State University, Chico. He went on to attend the University of Idaho Law school in Moscow where he met lifelong friends.

After graduation, Robert landed his first job as a public defender for Kootenai County. He worked as a public defender for several years and eventually went into private practice partnering with Romero Brown and Carolyn Justh for several years before entering a solo practice.

Robert was a force of nature, passionate not only about his work but also about history, politics, antiques, reading and his kid's sporting events. He loved to watch his kids compete. Robert loved family vacations that often included his parents, and he enjoyed summers traveling to California to connect with parents, family, and friends while watching his kids play in the pool.

*Robert R. Romero, Jr., 58, passed away on August 25, 2022.*



**DAVID B. LINCOLN**  
1945 – 2022

A third-generation Idahoan, David was born in Twin Falls on November 20, 1945. After graduating high school in 1964, David attended the University of Idaho, where he found his brothers in life as a member of the Phi Gamma Delta ("Fiji") fraternity. While missing no opportunity for a good time in college, David also made his grades. In 1968, he won a full scholarship to attend the University of California Hastings College of the Law in San Francisco. He made Law Review in his first year.

David graduated Order of the Coif in 1971 and moved to Boise, to work at the law firm of Elam, Burke & Boyd. He soon found himself working full-time for the firm's client, Sun Valley Company, and he lived for nearly three years in Sun Valley, taking full advantage of the free ski passes for company employees. He became a partner at Elam, Burke, & Boyd, and later at Marshall, Batt, & Fisher, Moffatt Thomas, and Hawley Troxell.

Specializing in real estate law, David was admired throughout the Sun Valley and Boise business communities as a lawyer of the highest ethical standards and was adored for his quick wit and great sense of humor. He was a gifted dealmaker and the most loyal of counselors.

Generous throughout his life in sharing his time and skills with his community, David served for many years in various leadership positions in the Boise chapter of Ducks Unlimited and as the celebrated "hot dog man" running the grill at the Boise Capitol Classic Kids Race. His passions included duck and pheasant hunting especially with his beloved Springer Spaniel, Pepper and watching football. A life-long San Francisco 49ers fan, he was rarely spotted in later years without his autographed Charles Haley hat.

*David Bruce Lincoln, 76, passed away on August 27, 2022.*



**JAMES ANNEST**  
1927 - 2022

James Annest was born May 6, 1927, at his parents' home, near Declo.

James was a lifelong resident of the Mini-Cassia area. He served in the Idaho state legislature for the 32nd and 33rd sessions between 1953 and 1957 and he was a member of the Idaho State Bar for 60 years.

James was a master of legal procedure and would litigate any type of case. Because of that, he was known by many people as a go-to for general legal services.

James was also a farmer; his life spanned a time that went from horse-drawn farm implements to tractors being guided by GPS that cost more than a house. James loved farming and could make almost anything grow and produce.

James was a lawyer, farmer, advocate, and adversary.

*James Annest, 95, passed away on September 20, 2022.*



**ERNEST ALLEN HOIDAL**  
1949 - 2022

Ernest Hoidal was born on August 26, 1949, at St. Luke's Hospital in Boise.

His love for Idaho started early when the family moved to Nezperce, Mackay, and back to Boise. He graduated from Capital High School in 1967 and attended Boise State University before completing his bachelor's degree in international business at the University of San Francisco in 1971. He received his juris doctorate from the University of Idaho in 1974.

Ernie's 46-year legal career stretched from California to Idaho, starting as an Assistant City Attorney for the City of Boise, an Associate at Sedgwick, Detert, Moran and Arnold in San Francisco and Los Angeles, an Ada County Deputy Prosecuting Attorney and General Counsel to the Idaho Association of Cities, and finally, his own practice, Hoidal Law, where he helped hundreds of people from over 170 countries.

Ernie coached numerous youth sports teams and would always arrange his schedule to be able to attend his children's school activities. He famously toured the entire family around the State of Idaho in the 1990s, stopping at every county courthouse and requesting they pose at every stop for a photo and gave a brief history lesson.

Ernie devoted his time to numerous organizations throughout his life. He served as chairman of the Idaho Legal History Society, the Humanitarian Bowl (now the Famous Idaho Potato Bowl). He founded the National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame Southern Idaho Chapter in 1996. Ernie served as the President of the Bronco Athletic Association from 1988-89 and was awarded the 1998 Bronze Bronco. He was the recipient of the Western Region Leadership Award of the National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame at the Waldorf Astoria in New York and the first inductee to the Capital High School Hall of Fame. He earned the 2013 Idaho State Bar Outstanding Service Award.

Most recently, he represented District 4 (Ada, Boise, Elmore, and Valley Counties) as a Trustee for the Idaho State Historical Society and a member of the Foundation for Idaho History's Board of Directors. He also served on the Board of Directors for the Boise State Foundation, the Bronco Athletic Association, Boise State's School of Public Service's advisory board, the Working History Center's advisory board, and the Honors College advisory council.

Ernie was also a member of the Advisory Council for the Ninth Judicial Circuit Historical Society and a Charter Member of Sunrise Rotary Club of Boise, as well as a member of numerous historical societies, including the United States Supreme Court, Canyon County, Idaho City Historical Foundation, Latah County, Mountain Home, Nez Perce County and Troy. He was a member of the Norwegian-American Historical Society and Sons of Norway Grondal Lodge.

*Ernest Allen Hoidal, 73, passed away September 20, 2022.*



**JAMES R. GILLESPIE**  
1939 - 2022

James Ray Gillespie, was born September 12, 1939, in Tooele, Utah. He worked for Albertsons in Utah for years to pay for his college education. Jim graduated from University of Utah with a bachelor's degree in marketing in 1961 and in 1963 he graduated with a *juris doctorate* from the University of Idaho College of Law.

Jim moved to Boise in 1964 where he joined the prominent law firm of Eberle, Berlin, Kading, Turnbow and Gillespie for 25 years. He then established a successful law firm of his own, practicing for another 31 years.

He loved the law and his many clients. He knew how to make things happen, and was continually sought out for advice and mentoring. "Get a smile on your face and a positive attitude," was his life motto that he shared with everyone.

He loved working on his ranch in Utah, fishing, hunting, pigeon racing and sharing a cup of coffee with friends. Jim leaves a legacy of family, friends, and multitude of accomplishments.

*James Ray Gillespie, 83, passed away on September 23, 2022.*



**DAVID A. JOHNSON**  
1958 - 2022

David Johnson was born in Idaho Falls on June 24, 1958. He grew up on the family farm on the Snake River north of Idaho Falls, with his siblings and cousins as his best friends. There were endless adventures for a young boy there. Dave learned to drive at the ripe old age of 8 to help on the family farm. He loved working alongside his dad and forged a tight bond with him.

Dave's work ethic showed in whatever he undertook in his life including his schooling and his law practice. He graduated from Ricks College and Brigham Young University with a degree in agricultural economics, and from the University of Idaho College of Law in 1985. He practiced law in Idaho Falls for 37 years, serving as Bonneville County Prosecuting Attorney from 1993-1996. He was a tireless advocate for his clients.

Dave had a passion for helping people in all areas of his life whether it was helping neighbors move, serving at the Soup Kitchen, or coaching his children's soccer and little league baseball teams.

He had a keen sense of humor and a gift for finding the light side of life's struggles and a talent for making even mundane chores and tasks seem fun for his children. His infectious sense of humor and the service he gave so willingly will be missed.

*David Anthony Johnson, 64, passed away on October 2, 2022.*





**MARK CHRISTOPHER MCBRIDE**  
1976 - 2022

Mark was born in Ogden, Utah, on March 11, 1976 and grew up in Syracuse, Utah.

He graduated from Brigham Young University in 2001 with a bachelor's degree in economics. Mark then completed his *juris doctorate* degree at the University of Utah in 2004. He also earned a Master of Laws Degree in tax law from the University of Washington in 2005. He used his extensive education and skills to provide security and amazing life experiences for his family.

Mark began his career at Ahrens DeAngeli in Boise after completing his degree. He moved to Perkins Coie in Seattle in 2011. During his 11 years with the firm, he prioritized the needs of his clients and helped grow the firm's practice. Many clients grew to love Mark for his caring and professional service. As a partner at the firm, he also provided mentorship to many of his colleagues.

Mark was a best friend to many and a friend to all regardless of your age. He greatly valued relationships with his friends, which lasted from his youth across decades.

*Mark Christopher McBride, 46, passed away on October 4, 2022.*



**TIMOTHY L. FLEMING**  
1972 - 2022

Timothy Fleming was born on May 21, 1972, the second of four boys. Having grown up on his family's fourth generation farm in Buhl, he learned the importance of hard work and love of family.

Tim was a born leader, and even as a child, he never said "no" to any opportunity or challenge. By the time he graduated from Buhl High School in 1990, Tim had already accomplished more than most. He was a talented athlete. He shared his father's love of baseball and played for several years on teams coached by his dad. He was also a skilled bowler. Tim won several competitive bowling trophies and served as President of the Youth Leaders for Idaho bowling organization.

At 10 years old, Tim was accepted to NASA's elite Space Camp program in Huntsville, Alabama. When he was just 17 years old, he interned for Congressman Richard Stallings in Washington, D.C., which led to an internship at the White House with Vice President Dan Quayle.

After high school, Tim attended the College of Idaho. Although Tim didn't play baseball in college, his love for the sport continued on the field where he worked as an umpire at the collegiate level, preparing him for his later role as home plate umpire at two American Legion World Series.

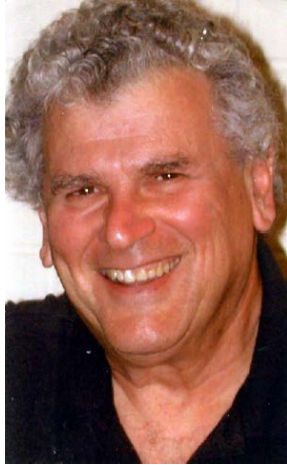
Tim graduated from the College of Idaho in 1994 with a Bachelor of Arts Degree, double majoring in Religion and Political Science. At that point, he had to choose between umpire school and law school, ultimately making the choice that led him to University of Idaho College of Law. During law school, Tim was a member of the trial team and worked in the legal clinic, leading him to represent clients in a two-week trial as a third-year law student. He was awarded his juris doctorate degree in 1997 and started his legal career with a law firm in Nampa where he ultimately served as the Caldwell City Prosecuting Attorney from 1998 until 2001.

In 2003, Tim and his family moved to Emmett. He served as the Chief Deputy Gem County Prosecutor starting in 2001 and was subsequently elected to serve as the Gem County Prosecutor in 2005. In 2006, he was appointed to also serve as the Boise County Prosecuting Attorney, holding both positions until 2009. In 2009, Tim was named the Chief of Staff/Chief Deputy Prosecuting Attorney for Canyon County, a position he held until 2011, when he decided to enter private practice and established Fleming Law Offices in Emmett. At Fleming Law, Tim had the privilege of working with his twin brothers, Todd and Ted. He also welcomed attorney Jacob Welsh, who later became a named partner at the firm. It was Tim's honor to serve clients in Gem County and throughout the state. He maintained a reputation as a respected and skilled attorney.

Tim's list of public service contributions could fill pages. Here are some highlights: Member of the Third District Magistrate Commission; President of the Third District Bar; Chairman of the Idaho Elks Rehabilitation Hospital Board of Directors; Board Member of the Idaho Department of Juvenile Corrections; Member of the Guidelines and Standards Committee for Drug Courts and Mental Health Courts for the State of Idaho; Trustee on the Emmett School District Board of Trustees; General Counsel to the Idaho Golf Association; and President and member of the Emmett Rotary Club where he helped transform the Emmett Rotary Youth Benefit Auction, which has since consistently raised over \$75,000 for multiple youth programs in the Gem County Community. One of his proudest accomplishments was his participation in establishing the Gem County Drug Court Program. In 2021, Judge Tyler Smith and the Drug Court team renamed the specialty court in honor of Tim, recognizing his key role and support of the program.

There was nothing Tim could not accomplish. He was bigger than life. When he walked into the room, he was the room. People gravitated towards him; he was generous, included everyone, and could relate to anyone. Tim had many passions. He enjoyed golf, traveling, camping, bowling, music, and theater; and, most of all, he enjoyed doing those things with those he loved. Tim loved life, and he lived life, and he taught those close to him to do the same. He never gave up, he never stopped planning, and he never stopped taking care of those he loved.

*Timothy Lane Fleming, 50, passed away on November 12, 2022.*



**SEYMOUR ABRAHAM KOLMAN**  
1935 - 2022

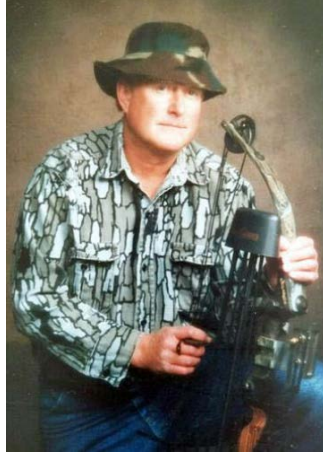
Seymour Abraham Kolman was born on December 1, 1935, in Brooklyn, New York.

Sy joined the Army and served active duty for six years. He continued to serve in the Reserves. After graduating from the University of Idaho School of Law, he practiced law in Twin Falls. Later, he practiced law in Jerome and has been an Idaho licensed attorney for 60 years. He also taught graduate level law courses for Troy University for over 10 years.

As a devoted fan of the Brooklyn Dodgers, Sy would go to Dodger games for 25 cents! He was also an avid reader, especially books about Abraham Lincoln and Winston Churchill, whom he admired. Swimming and playing cards were also a passion of his.

Sy moved to Tempe, Arizona in 1977 where he and his wife hosted a Bed and Breakfast in their home for over ten years. Seymour was also a member of the Elks Club for many years.

*Seymour Abraham Kolman, 86, passed away on November 28, 2022.*



**EUGENE D. FREDERICKSEN**  
1941 – 2022

Gene was born July 18, 1941, in Gooding and was raised on the family farm. He graduated from Gooding High School and went on to attend the University of Idaho in 1959. While there, he joined the Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity, making many close friends and always remaining a proud Vandal. He received his bachelor's degree in 1963 and his *juris doctorate* in 1969.

Gene practiced law in Jerome as a partner with Rettig, Fredericksen, Williams, and Meservy for many years and served as Jerome County Prosecuting Attorney for 10 years. He cared deeply for the Jerome community and loved serving as an advocate for others.

Gene loved to fish and hunt and spent many years in the Idaho mountains pursuing these passions with family and friends. Special memories were made sharing his love and knowledge of the outdoors with his children and grandchildren.

*Eugene "Gene" D. Fredericksen, 87, passed away December 3, 2022.*



**JULIE HOHBACH PIPER**  
1966 – 2022

Julie Piper was born on December 30, 1966 in Idaho Falls. She grew up in Idaho Falls and spent her childhood with a huge family of loving cousins, aunts and uncles. They spent many summers fishing and camping in Idaho, Montana and Wyoming.

Julie attended the University of Idaho and obtained a *juris doctor* from the College of Law in 1992. She worked as an employment attorney at the Idaho National Laboratory until 2011 and continued her attorney position for Hanford contractors in the Tri-Cities.

Julie was never intimidated by being the only one in the room defending the law. She was an advocate against domestic violence volunteer. She was the life of the party and left an impression on everyone she met. Julie blessed you with her opinions and cherished any opportunity to debate.

*Julie Hohbach Piper, 55, passed away on December 4, 2022.*



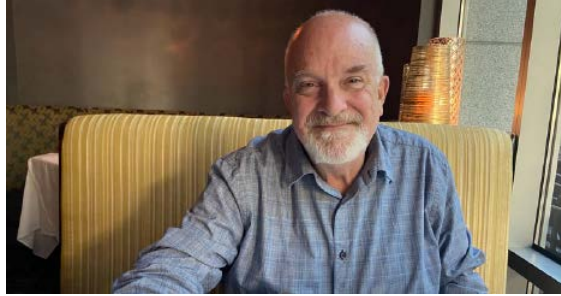
**DENNIS R. BYINGTON**  
1949 - 2022

Dennis Byington was born in Twin Falls on October 28, 1949. His family moved to Boise where he graduated from Borah High School. He attended Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah, and earned a bachelor's degree in speech and drama. He also completed Army ROTC. Dennis was commissioned in the United States Army and sent to electronics/communications school in New Jersey. Later he attended airborne school in Georgia.

After serving honorably in the military, Dennis moved to Moscow, where he graduated with his juris doctorate from the University of Idaho College of Law. He moved to Burley in 1982 and practiced law there for 37 years, including working as the Mini-Cassia Public Defender.

Dennis was very active in the community with music and the performing arts. He loved playing the piano, organ, and violin. He especially found joy in performing with the Magic Philharmonic Orchestra, along with being a guest conductor for many concerts. As president of the Mount Harrison Heritage Foundation for 20 years, he was involved in the creation of the King Fine Arts Center, and in directing numerous productions.

*Dennis Ray Byington, 73, passed away December 9, 2022.*



**JON ROBERT WILSON**  
1955 – 2022

Jon Robert Wilson was born July 11, 1955, in El Dorado, Kansas. His brothers were the perfect audience for honing his childhood comedic and argumentative talents that not only served him well in his future pursuits as a lawyer, but undoubtedly were the inspiration for many goodhearted laughs and eyerolls from family and friends.

Jon earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Political Science from Kansas State University where he graduated *cum laude* in 1977. He went on to earn a master's degree in political science (American Government and Public Administration with a Minor in Community and Regional Planning) from the University of Nebraska in 1979. Jon continued his pursuits of higher learning at Washburn University in Topeka, Kansas, where he earned a *juris doctorate* in 1982, graduating in the top third of his class. He would have also wanted noted how long he spent paying back the student loans and was never anyone to leave money on the table. Just ask anyone who ever played penny poker with him.

Jon practiced law in Boise for 35 years. During that time, he touched the lives of many. He offered nonjudgmental guidance when often they were facing some of the worst moments of their life. He often said that everyone is human and no one is perfect - then jokingly added except for him. He worked all hours and went out of his way to be available for his clients, offering more comfort than he probably ever realized or would admit.

Jon's life was full, and everyone blessed enough to know him and be loved by him were even fuller. There are so many ways one can attempt to measure a person's life by, Jon's is best measured by the legacy of love and laughter he brought to the world.

*Jon Robert Wilson, 66, passed away on December 23, 2022.*