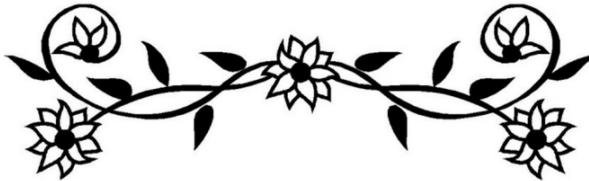


Obituaries & Memorials



SANDRA J. KLEMMER

Sandra J. Klemmer, 71, of Finland died Friday, November 4, 2022 at her home, surrounded by family after a brief illness.

She was born March 20, 1951 to Johnnie and Francis (Lah) Morris in Ely but grew up in Silver Bay. Sandy married



Kevin D. Klemmer on January 2, 1971 and together they made their home in Silver Bay and later Finland. Sandy was employed for over 20 years as a para at Mary MacDonald School and William Kelley High School, retiring in 2015.

Sandy enjoyed spending time with her children and grandchildren, gardening, and going to the cabin. She was an active member of the Beaver Bay Community Church for over 50 years, teaching Sunday School and the girls' program.

She is survived by her husband of 51 years, Kevin; sons, Nathan (Collette), David (Ashley), and Ben (Lindsey); grandchildren, Austin, Preston, Damian, Peyton, Callie, Anna, and Jordan; siblings Gary (Marilyn), Pete, and Dick (Missy); and many nieces and nephews.

There will be a service (open to everyone) at the Crystal Bay Cemetery on Wednesday, November 9, 2022 at 11:00 am. A celebration of life will follow at the Beaver Bay Community Church around 12:30 pm. To share your memories or condolences online please visit www.cavallinfuneralhome.com

RAY E. PEARROW, JR.

Ray E. Pearrow Jr. age 70 of Silver Bay, Minnesota, passed away at St. Luke's Hospital in Duluth, Minnesota Sunday, October 23, 2022 from a recent diagnosis of an advanced Adenocarcinoma.



Ray was born in Stockton, CA to Ray E. Pearrow Sr. and Phyllis J. (Smith) Pearrow. His family moved to Minnesota when he was a young boy, graduating in 1970 from Faribault High in Faribault, Minnesota. After graduating Ray relocated to California where he became an entrepreneur, owning several businesses and marrying the love of his life, Kathleen Holmquist.

Ray loved the outdoors where he enjoyed camping, fishing and hunting. He lived for a time in the foothills of the Sahara Nevada Mountains in California in a little town called Pioneer where he was well known for his donut making skills. In 2005, due to a health scare, Ray decided to move closer to family where he then settled in Silver Bay.

Ray was an avid outdoor photographer and craftsman in woodworking, leatherworking and jewelry making.

Ray was preceded in death by his Father, Ray Pearrow Sr., brother-in-law, Floyd Peterson Jr. and a niece, Angela Cook. He is survived by his Mother, Phyllis Pearrow of Silver Bay, his sisters, Kathrine (James) Freshour of Silver Bay, Elizabeth Peterson of Schroeder, nephews, Michael Christiansen of Silver Bay, Charles (Lisbeth) Christiansen of Grand Marais, Mark Christiansen of Bemidji, 4 grand-nephews and 2 grand-nieces.

A memorial service for Ray will be held Saturday, November 12, 2022 at 11AM at the United Protestant Church in Silver Bay. A lite lunch will be served following the service.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in memory of Ray to the United Protestant Church of Silver Bay, your local Food Shelf or a preferred charity of your choice.

JOSEPH WILLIAM GILBERT



Joseph William Gilbert (Joe), 72, passed away on Monday, October 31, 2022 after a brave battle against cancer with his family by his side. He was preceded in death by his parents James and M. Jean Gilbert and older brother Jack. He is survived by his loving and devoted wife of 52 years, Maria; daughters Corrine (Allen) Wihela and Bobbi Jo (Aaron) Salakka; grandchildren Martina, Zackery, JoAnna; sister Jean (Jack) Juntunen, brothers James, Jerry (Jayne), Jay, sister in law Zeola (Jack) Gilbert; many nieces, nephews, cousins, two beloved aunts, and numerous friends.

A lifelong resident of Minnesota, Joe was born on July 22, 1950 and raised on the family farm in Wales. He was known for his impish grin, animated raised eyebrows, and too many escapades to count involving his brothers and good friends, including the largest senior class bonfire ever recorded in Lake County. After graduating from Two Harbors High School in 1968, Joe enlisted in the US Army where he earned the rare honor of wearing the President's Hundred Tab, and served three tours in Vietnam. While home on leave in 1970, he married his high-school sweetheart, Maria Talvitie, on the beautiful, sunny third day of October. After being honorably discharged from the military, Joe worked for the DM&IR railroad as a heavy machine operator and track inspector. He was also a licensed gunsmith and enjoyed teaching firearm safety classes to many local children, some of whom still sport the blaze orange cap they earned in his class. Joe loved spending time with his daughters, and was frequently called Dad by their friends. When he became a proud and loving grandpa he adored being called Gramps.

In 1990, he began a new career, as he would say, a "professional tourist", driving a semi for Halvor Lines well over one million miles across the continental US, Canada and Alaska, many trips accompanied by his wife Maria. For a change of pace, and to be closer to home, he became a successful and highly respected dispatcher for a few years, but "White Line Fever" had him back behind the wheel of a big rig for many more years until his retirement in 2016.

Joe was an avid outdoorsman, enjoying many hunting seasons at the shack in Brimson that he built with his friends Steve, Doug and Dave, fishing on Lake Superior and inland lakes, and golfing at Lakeview, sporting a hole-in-one in July 1994.

Joe had a collection of colorful Hawaiian shirts for every occasion. He brightened any room he entered and struck up conversations with everyone around. He was witty, creative, loving, inclusive, and will be deeply missed by all who knew him.

The family would like to extend their heart felt appreciation to Joe's Home Care Nurse Kathy Ray, Dr. Feist and her nurse Ashley, and St. Luke's hospice for their care and compassion, and Lake County Veterans Service Officer Brad Anderson who has gone above and beyond his call of duty.

Memorial service with military honors will be scheduled in the spring of 2023. In lieu of flowers, please consider donations to Disabled American Veterans or cancer research.

Happy 40th Birthday
Jason!! November 17th
11/17/82 - 7/19/06



Loving you & Missing you!
Dad and Mom

JAN MARKER ALM

Loving mother, grandmother and great-grandma passed away October 31, 2022 with family by her side. Preceded in death by her parents, husband James Alm of 27 years and children Brian Alm and Sue Alm. Jan was born



to Wesley and Ethel Marker on February 28, 1942. Jan has a variety of jobs over the years, she was a kind of "Jan" of all trades from cashiering to cleaning to fast food. She worked many years at the IGA and then retired from Cub Foods in 1997. She decided to open a daycare and help raise her granddaughter along with some very special families that she cared for their children, they were her pride and joy. Jan also enjoyed working in her garden and spending time with friends walking or meeting them for coffee.

Jan is survived by her children Jeff and Lisa Bucklew (Jason Schwartz), Brad (Debbie) Alm. Siblings Conrad (Karen) Marker, Everett (Jeannette) Marker. Grandchildren Jerrika (Jake) Merritt, Noah, Micah, Jonah, Jacob, Monica, Amanda Alm, Michael Brew and 7 great-grand children. And several cousins and nieces and nephews.



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