

**SIHLIS**

Ruth Gastle Sihlis was born August 22, 1919 and passed away on July 4, 2007 at the age of 87 years. She attended the Eagle Valley school, near Sundre for grades one to nine and took her high school in Olds. She then attended Normal School in Calgary for her teacher training, teaching one year each at Rockwood and Sunberry Valley schools north of Sundre. She found that teaching was not her calling so she took a business course in Calgary and bookkeeping became her life work, which she enjoyed very much. Her first work was in Three Hills before moving to British Columbia in 1948. Ruth married John Sihlis on November 20, 1949. They made their home at Cherryville, east of Lumby. There both she and John were involved in the lumbering industry, he as a sawyer and she was a bookkeeper. John passed away August 22, 1966. From then on, Ruth employed her bookkeeping skills for various operators in the north Okanagan area for many years until marrying Lloyd Kibblewhite on June 15, 1979. She and Lloyd made their home in Vernon, BC. Now semi-retired, Ruth occupied her time sewing, creative writing, swimming, traveling, helping with the Vernon stroke club and doing hospice work. She won numerous medals in swimming competitions in the BC Senior Games; these were proudly displayed in her room until the very end. They moved to Airdrie in 2001 to be closer to family in case health problems should arise. Ruth suffered a severe stroke in May of 2003, which eventually claimed her life. Ruth was predeceased her by parents Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Gastle in 1953 and 1960 respectively; her brother Monte Gastle in 1973, sister Bernice Powell in 1984, husband John Sihlis in 1966, step-son Gordon Kibblewhite in 1999 and stepdaughter Edna Osterberg in 2003. Ruth is survived by her husband Lloyd Kibblewhite; his daughter Donna (Gordon) Brodie, five step-grandchildren and 10 step great-grandchildren; her sister Marie Sihlis of Sundre; nephews Lennard (Gloria) Sihlis and daughter Shayleigh of Calgary, Cordell (Dawn) Sihlis of Tofield; grandnephew Wilson Sihlis of Hay Lakes; nieces Sandra (Doug) Gregory and daughter Quinn of Kamloops, BC; Kathy Houghham of Hay Lakes, LaVyne (Bill) Humbart of Onoway and family and Manitta Solomon of Glen, New Hampshire and family. Also special lifelong friends Mary (Jackson) Gallagher of Calgary and Helen (Leckie) McKain of Innisfail as well as many more relatives and friends. Memorial services were held on Monday July 9, 2007 at 2:00 p.m. at the Faith Lutheran Church, Sundre with Pastor Steven Herbert officiating. Memorial donations may be made directly to the Bethany Care Centre, Airdrie or the charity of choice. As a tribute to Ruth Sihlis, a tree will be planted in the Heartland Tree Memorial Park, Olds. Heartland Funeral Services Ltd, Olds entrusted with arrangements. 403-507-8610.

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**SWEDBERG**

Leonard, beloved husband of Mrs. Pauline Swedberg of Sundre, AB. Passed away at the Sundre Hospital on Saturday, July 14, 2007 at the age of 87 years. Leonard will be lovingly remembered by his children, Rose Swedberg (Marc Martini) and Laura Eddy (Greg Findlay); grandchildren, Tami, Christine, Candace, Skylynn, Jordan and Chelsea and four great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by his sister, Violet Campbell. The family wishes to extend a very special thank you to the doctors, nurses and staff of the Sundre Hospital. A Funeral Service will be held in the chapel of Mountain View Funeral Home on Monday, July 23, 2007 at 2:00 p.m. with interment to follow in Mountain View Memorial Gardens. Arrangements entrusted to MOUNTAIN VIEW FUNERAL HOME AND CEMETERY, 17 Avenue SE at Garden Road, (1.5 km east of 84th Street SE) Telephone 403-272 - 5555.

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## **LUND**

Mr. Louis Lund of Sundre, passed away at the Olds Hospital on Wednesday, July 4, 2007 at the age of 85 years. Louis was born in Cranbrook, BC, in January, 1922 and three months later moved with his parents to Bergen, AB, where he was raised. After attending the Bergen School he worked as a millwright and planer operator for ten years. In 1946 he married the love of his life, Mary, and shortly thereafter purchased a home in Sundre that they shared for over 60 years. During this time they owned and operated "Lund's Jewellery" store. In 1960 Louis was elected "Mayor" of the Town of Sundre and later President of the Chamber of Commerce. He was also a life member of the Sundre Elks, a fraternal affiliate member of the Sundre Legion and a life member of the Sons of Norway. In 1981, Louis and Mary decided that after 33 years of being in business that they would sell the jewellery store and that Louis would operate his own sawmill (his true passion) at Bergen, which he did so for the next 15 years. Louis is survived by his wife Mary, Granddaughter Lisa and her husband Brian, Grandson Michael and his wife Jennifer and Granddaughter Laurie and six great grand-children. He is also survived by his brother Wesley and his sister Sylvia and their families. Louis was predeceased by his mother, father and his only child Norman. We all blessed to have had Louis Lund in our lives and he will be greatly missed by many family and friends. A Service of Remembrance for the late Mr. Louis Lund was held at the Elks Hall in Sundre on July 11, 2007, at 2:30 p.m. with Jim Bystrom officiating. Urn interment service was held earlier at the Bergen Cemetery. As an expression of sympathy, memorial contributions may be made to the Heart and Stroke Foundation, #101, 5208 - 53 Ave. Red Deer, AB, T4N 5K2.

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## **GWYNN**

In loving memory of Leslie Charles Gwynn of Sundre, Alberta who died on July 18, 2007, at the age of 66 years after a long battle with cancer. Les was predeceased by his parents Charles and Helen and one brother Harold. He is survived by his loving wife Edna, and their 6 children, Leslie, Tim, Heather, Lyle, Jody and Cory, their spouses, 14 grandchildren, 1 great granddaughter, his siblings Karen, Roy, Albert, David, Alan, Doris, Mary, Douglas, and their spouses, also an enormous extended family of nieces, nephews and close friends. A Memorial Service will be held at the McDougal Chapel, Sundre on July 28, 2007 at 2:00 p.m. with Pastor Richard McInnes officiating. In lieu of flowers the family would prefer that donations be made in Les's name to the Tom Baker Cancer Centre for Multiple Myeloma Research. As a tribute to Leslie Gwynn, a tree will be planted in the Heartland Tree Memorial Park, Olds. Heartland Funeral Services, Sundre entrusted with arrangements. 403-638-4393.

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## **HALLIDAY**

Shelley Ann Halliday passed away suddenly on July 27, 2007 at the age of 37 years in Red Deer. Shelley is survived by her loving family, partner Greg Benson, children Jordan and Alyssa and parents Ralph and Carol Halliday of Sundre. A Memorial Service in Shelley's memory was held Wednesday August 1, at 2:00 p.m. at the Sundre Legion. Memorial donations may be made directly to the charity of one's choice. As a tribute to Shelley Halliday, a tree will be planted in the Heartland Tree Memorial Park, Olds. Heartland Funeral Services Ltd., Sundre entrusted with arrangements. 403-638-4393.

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## **ANKERSTEIN**

Shirl Evelyn passed away peacefully July 29, 2007 at the age of 57. Shirl was predeceased by her mother Delia in 1995; survived and lovingly remembered by family; Linda Martin, William (Kaye) Ankerstein, Lorrie (Gordon) Swanson, Deborah Ankerstein, Connie (Nick) and Jaydan Nistor, Melanie (Chad) and Dustin Winchar. Sundre is where Shirl made her home for the past 14 years. Shirl touched the people in Sundre everywhere she went with her vibrant smile and zest for life. In her private life Shirl was a gifted writer and extraordinary water colour artist that she only shared with her close friends and family. Shirl will be dearly missed by her friends and family and especially by her life long partner, Linda. Shirl will live in our hearts forever.

## **DUNWOODY**

(nee Sheets)

Betty was born in Millboro, South Dakota. She was the second eldest of seven children. She was predeceased by her parents; Mabel and Samuel and one brother; Lloyd Ellis; and her husband Lloyd. She is survived by Viola Abeln of Roseburg, Oregon, Bud (Marie) Sheets of Bowden, AB, Bina (Harry) of Fruitvale, BC, Shirley Klask of Fernie, BC, and Orville Sheets of Sparwood, BC. After her mother passed away, at the age of 13 Betty started to take over the household chores which included baking bread, cooking and taking care of the younger children. Betty came to Canada at the age of 17 with her father and brothers and sisters. They resided in the Sundre area. Her oldest sister, Viola, was married and lived in the states. Betty lived in Calgary for a few years doing housekeeping for various families. In November 1951, she married Lloyd Dunwoody and lived in Sundre, where they raised their 5 daughters; Marie Benner (Ron and girls, Gayle and Shelley), Irene, Francis, Karen, and Diana. Eventually, she moved to Olds with her husband, then to Innisfail. After Lloyd's passing, she moved to Calgary in 1985, where she resided since. Betty lived with her daughters, Irene and Francis. Her daughters Karen and Diana who also lived in Calgary would keep in contact with her, besides her daughter Marie in Sundre. Over her years in Calgary, she volunteered at the Grace Hospital with the Ladies Auxiliary doing crafts, and at the West Hillhurst Go-Getters. She belonged with the kitchen band at the West Hillhurst Go-Getters, where she played the maracas. She enjoyed belonging to the chorus and band at the seniors group, and doing paper tole pictures. Betty enjoyed going to the monthly luncheons, and helping out with the set up for the meal. Over the years, her involvement with the Go-Getters slowed down due to being further away from the community centre. Betty will always be remembered for her humor, kindness and love. She will be sadly missed by all her family. Betty had some rough years, but then lived to the fullest after residing with her children. She was able to go on holidays to England, and down to the United States seeing family and areas she hadn't seen before. We will miss her whistling around the house, snoozing in her armchair, giving us static over the little things, the hello's in the morning on the way to the bathroom, and the threats of cutting Francis' computer wires. So farewell to a kind and loving Mom, grandmother, sister and friend. Memorial service will be held at the Royal Canadian Legion Hall on August 11, 2007 at 1:00 p.m. at Sundre, AB. Lunch will be served following the service and everyone welcome. Donations can be made to the West Hillhurst Go-Getters Association (1940 - 6 Ave, NW, Calgary, AB T2N 0W3).

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## **CROZIER**

In loving memory of Barbara Eileen Crozier (nee Byrt)

Mrs. Barbara Eileen Crozier, passed away at the Rosefield Care Centre at Innisfail, Alberta on August 12, 2007 at the age of 86 years. She was born October 22, 1920 at Llandoff Cardiff, Wales. Barbara is the beloved mother to Donnamari (Craig); stepson Reg Crozier and his children Mari, James, Marcena). She is also a wonderful grandma to David, Katie and Jake. She was predeceased by her husband Reginald in 1988; her parents Francis and Ellen Byrt; brothers Slim, Charlie, and George Byrt as well as her sisters Vi, Naway and Gwen. Mom was the last Byrt of this generation. An end to an incredible era. A celebration of Barbara's life will be held at the Sundre United Church on Saturday August 25, 2007 at 1:00 p.m. As a memorial tribute to Barbara Crozier a tree will be planted in the Tree Memorial Park (Innisfail) by HEARTLAND FUNERAL SERVICES LTD. Innisfail Funeral Home & Crematorium, 4415- 49th St. Innisfail. Telephone 227-0006.

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## **MYER**

Benjamin James Myer passed away peacefully at the Innisfail Rosefield Centre on August 10, 2007 at the age of 72 years. Jim worked hard as a welder. When not working his passions were watching the youngsters play hockey, fishing year round and gardening. His love for gardening carried him to his final journey at the Rosefield Centre in Innisfail. If you get a chance take a walk through his special garden. The nurses there will be happy to show you the way. So in his passing all you old fishing buddies dunk a hook for Jim. For all his nurses and friends, he loved you all - From his family. In keeping with Jim's wishes there will be no service. Cremation entrusted to Metcalf Funeral Chapel, 4200 49th Ave., Innisfail. Proudly serving our community for over 45 years.

## **FINCARYK**

Friendly, happy-go-lucky, genuine, kind, loving, caring & meticulous — these qualities describe Kyle Fincaryk, who passed away suddenly from a motor vehicle accident on Thursday, July 26, 2007, at the tender age of 23 years. Kyle James Fincaryk was born on June 11, 1984, in Calgary to Christine & James Fincaryk of the Crowsnest Pass. As a youngster, Kyle loved to fish and he, his brother Cody, and his parents and his grandparents spent many summer afternoons fishing the nearby streams and lakes. He was very meticulous in nature, especially when working on his wood-working & metal-working projects and his model building planes & ships. He spent many hours quietly working in his room diligently creating and expeditiously examining his models for flaws. Kyle proudly displayed his efforts on the bookshelves in his room or hanging from his ceiling. Along with Kyle's unique talent of model building, he was an avid history buff and was very passionate and knowledgeable about the various aircrafts flown during the World Wars. He was fun-loving and loved to laugh; he was also sincere in his word. He enjoyed hanging out with his friends, playing video games, and listening to music. He now joins his mother and his uncle gracefully in peace and tranquility. He will be forever missed by his family & friends. Left to celebrate his life is his father James (Debbie) Fincaryk of Sundre; his brother Cody (Rose) Fincaryk of Burmis, Alberta; his grandparents Americo & Alberta Brazzoni of the Crowsnest Pass; his step-brothers Theo Goethals of Sundre, Alberta; and Jorde Goethals of Olds, Alberta; and his nephew Dante Fincaryk; and numerous aunts, uncles, cousins and friends. Kyle was predeceased by his mother Christine Fincaryk in 2003 and his Uncle Colin Brazzoni in 1984. The Funeral Service was held on Tuesday, July 31, 2007, at 11:00 am at Fantin's Funeral Chapel with Fr. Thomas Vadassery, Celebrant. The Pallbearers were Theo Goethals, Jorde Goethals, Tyler Campkin, Eric Willoughby, Dwayne Fincaryk, and Trevor Brazzoni. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations in memory of Kyle may be made to MADD: Mothers Against Drunk Driving (6507C Mississauga Road, Mississauga, ON L5N 1A6). Fantin's Funeral Chapel assisting the Family with arrangements, 403-562-8555.

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## **McLEOD**

February 10, 1927 - August 14, 2007

It is with great sadness that the family of Gladys McLeod wishes to announce her passing on August 14, 2007 after a short stay at the Foothills Hospital. Gladys was born in the family farm house near Champion, Alberta, the younger of two daughters of Scott and Elsie Williams. She grew up on the ranch in the Little Bow area and attended rural schools in the area and completed high school in Lomond, Alberta. On September 3, 1945, she married Lloyd McLeod, the boy next door from the neighbouring ranch. They spent nearly the first three years of their marriage on a large sheep ranch near Kinmond. Gladys and Lloyd then returned to the Williams family ranch near Travers, Alberta. Their first two children, Ian and Bonnie were born while they were living on the ranch. In October of 1954, they made the move to the Sundre area and lived on the farm South of Westward Ho for the next 52 years. Colleen and Elanne were born during this time. Gladys loved this farm and the area dearly. She made some lifelong friends while they lived and raised their family there. In January of 2006, Gladys and Lloyd moved into Sundre, where she resided until the time of her passing. Gladys will be lovingly remembered by Lloyd, her husband of nearly 62 years, her son, Ian (Leslie), daughters; Bonnie (Blaine), Colleen (Patrick), Elanne (Michael), 3 granddaughters, 2 grandsons, 1 step-grandson and step-granddaughter and their families. She was predeceased by her parents, Elsie and Scott Williams and her sister Dorothy LaCoste. A Memorial Service was held on Saturday, August 18, 2007 at the Sundre West Country Centre. In lieu of flowers, a memorial donation may be made to the Sundre EMS care of the Mountain View Regional Emergency Services. As a tribute to Gladys McLeod, a tree will be planted in the Heartland Tree Memorial Park, Olds. Heartland Funeral Services Ltd., Olds entrusted with arrangements.

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## **SCOTT**

Wayne was born in Olds, AB December 8, 1953 and passed away in Coquitlam, BC on January 22, 2007. He was predeceased by his parents Henry and Mildred and brother Gary. He is survived by his brother, Donald. A graveside service will be held on August 28th at 1:00 pm at the Bergen Cemetery. A reception will follow. Friends and family and invited to attend.