



Matthew William Nicholls

January 9, 1924 - December 12, 2016

Matt Nicholls passed away in Butte on December 12, 2016. Matt was born in Butte on January 9, 1924 to Arthur and Louise Nicholls, who had immigrated to Butte from England. He attended Butte Public Schools and then entered the Civilian Conservation Corps.

In 1942, he joined the U.S. Army and was deployed to Europe during WWII. Matt was honorably discharged on December 29, 1945 and returned to Butte. There he met his future wife Margret (Peggy) Helen Cox and they were married January 8, 1947. Matt and Peggy raised two sons, Matt Jr. and Randy.

Matt worked as a blacksmith on the hill for over 35 years and retired when the operation was closed. He was a die-hard fisherman for a better part of his life and loved the Big Hole River. Matt and Peggy loved to entertain at their home, especially on the Fourth of July.

He was preceded in death by his wife Peggy, son Matt Jr. and his nine siblings (Art, Doreen, Rose, Jack, Charlie, Louise, Donald, Kenneth and Mona). He is survived by his son Randy, daughter in-laws Sandy Nicholls and Becky Nicholls, six grandchildren (Monica, Steve, Chrissie, Jennifer, Nicole and Melissa) and nine great grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, please donate to the Shrine Hospital Transportation Fund or a charity of your choice. God bless you Matt.

Cemetery Details

Mountain View Cemetery

3910 Harrison Avenue
Butte, MT 59701

Previous Events

Service

DEC 19. 1:00 PM (MT)

Wayrynen-Richards Funeral Home
1800 Florence Ave
Butte, MT 59701
(406) 723-3221
<https://wayrynen-richards.com/>

Tribute Wall

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“ Dear Randy and family,
Our sincere sympathies on the passing of your dad. I will always remember the twinkle in his eyes and him playing his drum set in the basement with head phones on.
Love,
Delia Cox Bolinder and family

Delia Bolinder - December 19, 2016 at 08:35 PM

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“ Randy and family,

We were sorry to hear of Uncle Matt's passing. His personality always brought a smile. The years and years he made his bean salad for the 4th of July parties. I remember them growing up and parking our trailer in the driveway. Then again as an adult bringing my family.

How wonderful it was to have he and Aunt Peggy travel to Salt Lake for mine and Kim's wedding too!

Uncle Matt will be greatly missed.
God Bless
Carlyse Cox Crowther and family



Carlyse Cox Crowther - December 17, 2016 at 07:12 PM

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“ *Randy, Sandy, Monica & Steve with families,
So sorry to hear about your Dad & grandpa. Know how close you all
were to Mattie. Boy what a good life he had but, it is still hard to lose
someone you love.
Thinking of all of you. Phylly*

Phyllis Costello - December 15, 2016 at 10:41 AM