



Peter David "Pete" Hallquist Sr.

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OBITUARY FOR

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Pete Hallquist Sr passed away peacefully at home in the comfort of his son and wife.

He was born on March 26th, 1956 in Miles City MT to Norman Hallquist and Elizabeth Gross.

He is survived by his wife Lynn Hallquist, his son Pete Hallquist Jr, daughter Nicole Hallquist, their mother Diane Kimmel of Billings MT and his three sisters. Pete had a loving extended family: stepdaughter Kendra (Randy) Walter of Post Falls ID, stepdaughter Shelby (Kobie) Morley and granddaughter Madison of Helena MT, stepson Dalton (Taeler) Gensch and granddaughter Rory of Boise ID.

Pete graduated from Anaconda High School in June of 1971. He earned an Automotive Technician diploma from the Wyoming Technical Institute in December of 1974. While taking his auto mechanic courses he successfully completed a written exam on internal combustion engine overhaul which earned him a Doctor of Motors Student Citation.

Pete was owner of P & M Transmission where he specialized in "new & used jeep parts, off-road suspension specialists, shackle reverse systems, suspension lifts, differential specialists and exhaust systems." His business grew to where he could fix anything on cars. He would often diagnose what

was wrong with a car just by listening to it run. He was well known as an expert mechanic who fixed countless cars for people in the Butte/Anaconda community.

Not only was Pete an expert mechanic, he was skilled at remodeling houses. He did the carpentry, plumbing and electrical work for his home with Lynn. He was a perfectionist in any work he did. His motto was “do it right the first time so you don’t have to fix it a second time”.

Pete was one of the founding members of the Continental 4-Wheel Drive Association started in January 2006.

Pete was very nostalgic an “American Graffiti” kind of guy. He loved the happy days of the 60s era especially the music and cars. The list of the cars he has worked on is endless. Some of his favorites were Chevelle, El Camino, Impala and Novas.

Back in 1994 he bought 2 International Harvesters from a beloved relative and sealed the deal with a handshake and a smile.

Pete and Lynn were together for 10 years then married on June 30th 2022 at the historic Madison County Courthouse in Virginia City.

They often traveled throughout MT ID and WA visiting family and soaking in hot springs along the way. Some memorable experiences are the music concerts they attended of their favorite 70s 80s musicians

Pete always described his son Pete Jr as “his right-hand man” in his business. He taught him every trade skill he knew whether it was mechanics, welding or body work.

Pete was an avid hunter and outdoorsman. Every year he and his son spent their spare time hunting and fishing. They had a favorite hunting spot in the Bernice area for deer and elk. They frequently went fishing and camping at East Fork and Storm Lake.

Pete will always be remembered for his passion of storytelling. He is truly missed by his family and multitude of friends.

Cremation has taken place. A memorial service celebrating Pete’s life will be held on Friday November 7th at 11:00 am at Wayrynen-Richards Funeral

Home 1800 Florence Ave in Butte MT. Reception following services will be in the Community Center.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Butte Food Bank or BSW Thrift Store.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

NOV 7. 11:00 AM (MT)

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

Tribute Wall



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