



Robert James Hadley

April 22, 1941 - June 14, 2020

Mr. Robert James Hadley passed away Sunday evening, June 14, 2020 at his home in Butte. He was born Tuesday, April 22, 1941 in Oakland, California to Ray and Jean (Simpson) Hadley. The family moved to Idaho Falls when Robert was a twelve and he attended schools there, graduating from Idaho Falls High School in 1959. He graduated cum laude with a BS in Accounting from the University of Utah in 1963. In 1965, he knew the draft was inevitable and made the decision to enlist in the United States Air Force, with whom he served in Vietnam until his service ended in 1969.

In 1969, Bob joined the accounting firm of Galusha Higgins & Galusha and worked in Glasgow, Montana. In 1982, Bob, Dennis Chandler, Robert Maxie and Jim Smrcka started their own firm, CHMS. Bob worked with his partners over the course of his career to expand the firm to 5 locations across Northeast Montana. In 1999, he moved to Wolf Point to manage the office there, where he retired in 2012. However, due to his love of accounting and his devotion to his clients, he continued work consulting and performing tax preparation until 2018.

Bob married Beverly Brueckner in Glasgow on August 20, 1977 and together they moved to Butte in 2012. She survives. Also surviving are his sons James and Kevin. James and his wife, Chrissy, live in Butte with their children, James Jr., MaKenzie, and Hanna. Kevin and his wife, Darcy, live in Mesa, AZ with their children, Aurora and Persephone. Also surviving are his brother, Larry Hadley of North Ogden, UT, sisters and brothers-in-law, Adele and Ed Harper

and GeNene and Gary Hansen, all of Idaho Falls, ID, brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law: Gene and Kaye Brueckner of Grand Forks, ND, Jan and Jerry Brorby also of Grand Forks, Lars and Nancy Brueckner of Niagara, ND, Betty and Mack Holland III of Denver, CO and numerous nieces and nephews. Also surviving is his uncle, Roy West of Ogden, UT.

Bob was a kind and generous man who was always there for anyone who needed him. He was an avid card player. He and Bev were members of the Copper City Bridge Club, where they played weekly. His other hobbies included spending time outdoors which included gardening, managing his lawn, and plowing his driveway during the winter. When not outside or working, he also enjoyed movies of all genres, but had a special affinity for war and western movies. In addition, Bob was a great lover of any animal. Thinking it was someone's pet, he tried to cuddle with a wild badger. Obviously, that didn't end too well.

Most importantly, Bob invested time with his family. His sons, their spouses, and his grandchildren meant the world to him. He also dedicated time to the rest of his family, his father and siblings.

Cemetery Details

Fort Harrison Veterans Cemetery

1900 Williams Street
Helena, MT 59602

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 22. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (MT)

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

Service

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Tribute Wall

RK

“ *Bev...so sorry to hear about Bob. It came as a big shock. I just wanted you to know that I do remember his work with the swim team and at CHMS in Glasgow. I enjoyed my time being around him. He will be greatly missed. Hope you are doing well. I made a donation to the new Glasgow swimming pool fund in Bob's memory.*
Rod Karst

Rod Karst - July 07, 2020 at 07:09 PM

CW

“ *John and I are very sad to hear of Bob's passing. I have wonderful memories of riding back and forth to Poplar with both, of you, Bob and Bev! Then when I returned home to Glasgow, I would find Kevin sitting at our kitchen table, teaching Marybeth the principal's of physics. What a kind, wonderful family. My heart goes out to you all at the loss of a most endearing, generous, and kind man!*

Connie and John Andvik and Marybeth Wils - July 04, 2020 at 06:20 PM

GC

“ *Bev and boys: I was saddened to read of Bob's passing. The years I worked with him were truly great. Many great memories of those Tax Season days. Of course Bob was also our Accountant so I knew and loved him from two sides of the aisle. It is so hard to lose a loved one, but good memories live on. My sincere sympathy.*
Gwen Cornwell.

Gwen Cornwell - June 24, 2020 at 10:52 AM

DA

“ I just love Bob! He is a man that helped Dee and I when we thought there was no hope! He took a stack of our papers and sorted out our taxes every year till just a few years ago. I'm sure he was so relieved when it was over!!! And his sweet wife Bev even took over for awhile! We love you Bev! My heart goes out to you and your family. It's so hard to loose the love of your life. Loosing my mom a few weeks ago is not the same. So I can't imagine how you feel! But this has been one hard time for me❤️ We love you and what ever you need we are all hear for you!

Dani - June 21, 2020 at 07:15 PM

GH

“ There are many positive thoughts that come to my mind when I think about my brother, Bob. He was protective, supportive and always gave me great advice. He also willingly did everyone's taxes for no charge. I always remember the jade ring he gave me when he got back from Vietnam. I will always treasure it. I loved his contagious laugh. It always brought a smile to may face. I will deeply miss him.I love you Bob.

Genene Hansen - June 20, 2020 at 06:03 PM

GA

“ Loved working with Bob when he was in Glasgow. Wonderful sense of humor and outstanding knowledge of his craft.

*Buck Archambeault
Glasgow attorney*

Gerald Archambeault - June 20, 2020 at 01:10 PM

AH

“ I have lots of great memories of my brother's kindness and generosity but one that stands out to me is when I was 15. He was in the Air Force and had just bought a 1964 red GTO convertible. I can't believe it but he let me have all summer. I ruined the clutch but he wasn't upset. He just fixed it. I remember his dry sense of humor and how his whole body shook when he laughed. I will miss him with all my heart and soul

adele harper - June 20, 2020 at 12:28 PM

JS

I was thinking of his laugh today he certain I was remembering his laugh today he certainly got into it. One awesome person

Jim Smrcka - June 20, 2020 at 07:56 PM

TE

Bob was a very special person-kind, brilliant, thoughtful, and a great laugh. We are better people for having known him. Terry & John McKeon

Terry - June 20, 2020 at 08:28 PM

DL

Bob was a very kind and intelligent man. I loved working with him at CHMS. I have enjoyed the visits he and I have had since his retirement. He will be missed. I have good memories of Bob. Doris Leader

Doris Leader - June 20, 2020 at 10:53 PM

LS

I have so many fond memories of Bob. He taught us so much. His laugh was infectious and I never saw him angry. No problem was too big. He helped me with my uncles's estate in 1997 and also helped when he bought the ranch in 2004. He will always be in my heart. Prayers for you all during this difficult time.

LORRI A SCHAFER - June 22, 2020 at 02:45 PM



“ *Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of Robert James Hadley.*



June 19, 2020 at 10:55 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Robert James Hadley.*



June 18, 2020 at 10:26 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Robert James Hadley.*



June 18, 2020 at 08:54 PM



“ *From the Lockman family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Robert James Hadley.*



From the Lockman family - June 18, 2020 at 05:15 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Robert James Hadley.* ”



June 18, 2020 at 03:49 PM