



## Susan M. Podgorski

December 26, 1930 - July 13, 2016

Susan May Podgorski passed away last Wednesday at her residence. She was born in Bearcreek, Montana to Michael and Susie (Frankovic) Korinko. She attended schools in Bearcreek and Red Lodge.

She and Edwin Messer married and had four children but later divorced. She later married Frank Podgorski and that marriage also ended in divorce.

Susan was a very private person who enjoyed her home and enjoyed being home. She liked to dance a good polka loved animals, especially her buddy "Bandit" but her true love and passion was her grandchildren. She retired in 2012 from her job as a cleaner at Margaret Leary School where she loved the teachers and the kids.

Besides her parents, Susan is preceded in death by the "Apple of her Eye", her son, Jeffery D. Messer, her siblings John Korinko, Helen Pollari, Peggy Lukich and a grandson and his wife, Karl Robert and Char Pentecost.

Survivors include her son and daughter-in-law, Edwin and Sandra Messer of Butte, daughters and sons-in-law, Susan and David Cunningham of Divide and Jean and Karl Pentecost of Butte. Surviving grandchildren include: Jill and Brad Blythe, Jolene and Gimel Uc, Jeanette Walters, Amy and T.J. Keefe, David and Misty Cunningham, Daniel and Kari Cunningham, Jennifer Pentecost and numerous great grandchildren. Also surviving is her sister-in-law, Amelia Korinko, who along with Jennifer Pentecost can't be thanked enough for all their help and kindness in caring for Susan. Sincere thanks must also be extended to Dr. Jake Taverna and his nurse Cheryl for all they

did in caring for Susan and Kathy Green for being a loyal friend.

# Tribute Wall

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“ I was very sad to read of Sue's passing! I was a teacher at Margaret Leary School, and often stayed late at night. Sue was always so patient with me, and we enjoyed visiting while we worked. She used to call me once in a while for updates on what was happening at the school. I hadn't heard from her in a long time, and always checked the porch of her house when passing by. She was a dear friend, and I will greatly miss her. May she rest in peace. Julie O'Gara

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**Julia O'Gara** - July 24, 2016 at 01:10 AM

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“ Sue and family members -

*I am so very sorry to read of your mother's passing. It seems we are just not this old to be losing our folks....but unfortunately it is a part of life. Enjoy the memories and stay close - you three kids. After our parents are gone, that's all we've got left is our siblings and their families....I send you one big hug Susan my friend. Love ya.*

*Char Messick*

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**Charlene Messick** - July 23, 2016 at 10:58 PM