



Betsey Hedrick

February 21, 1975 - September 30, 2025

Betsey Sue Hedrick, 50, of Glendive, Montana, met her heavenly Father on Tuesday, September 30, 2025, after a brief but courageous battle with cancer. Visitation will be held from 10-11:00 a.m. on Saturday, October 4, 2025, at Glendive Evangelical Church. A Memorial Service will follow at 11:00 a.m. with Pastor Robert Canen officiating. Silha Funeral Home of Glendive has been entrusted with arrangements.

Betsey was born on February 21, 1975, in Bozeman, Montana, the daughter of Vince and Darlene (Cook) Guhin. She grew up with a strong faith foundation, first attending Manhattan, MT, Christian School before graduating with the Belgrade High School Class of 1993. In 1995 she completed an associate's program at the Culinary Institute in Portland, Oregon, where she developed not only technical skills but also a sense of hospitality that became a hallmark of her life. Cooking for others was, for Betsey, a way of loving.

In 1993, Betsey met and fell in love with Phil Hedrick. Their marriage in 1999 marked the beginning of a partnership grounded in laughter, respect, and shared values. In 2008, they welcomed their son, Sam, whose presence reshaped Betsey's world. Motherhood became her greatest joy—whether she was cheering at his baseball games, helping with school projects, or teaching him family recipes. The family treasured their annual tradition of baking Christmas Stollen bread together, a ritual that captured Betsey's belief in

weaving warmth and memory into everyday life. Her strength and compassion were rooted in her deep faith in God and her love for Jesus, which guided her throughout her life.

Betsey's circle extended far beyond her home. In 2014 she was elected to the Glendive City Council, where she served faithfully for 11 years. Known for her steady voice, she combined conviction with compassion, always balancing firm principles with a willingness to listen. Mayor Deb Dion described her as "a pillar of the community," adding, "Betsey taught us that true leadership comes from a desire to serve others, show compassion, and a genuine love of our community." Fellow council member Rhett Coon called her "morally and ethically a rock for the city [whose] character and compassion never wavered."

Her colleagues recall that she never entered a meeting without listening first, and she valued every perspective, regardless of background or political stance. Betsey had a talent for turning disagreement into dialogue and for making people feel they had been truly heard. Her contributions included not only long hours at City Hall and with the Republican Women but also her leadership in projects like the Community Christmas Dinner at the EPEC, which she organized and with which she shared her culinary talents for four years to ensure no one in Glendive celebrated the holiday alone.

At times stepping back from the public, Betsey sought renewal in the natural beauty of eastern Montana. She loved walking her dogs along the Yellowstone River, hiking the trails of Makoshika State Park, and fishing with her family. She was also a passionate Houston Astros fan. In addition to the excitement of the ballpark, she found joy in the quiet rhythms of her gardens. Her artistry was evident in her landscaped yards and carefully tended flowers and vegetables, as well as in her gift for arranging fresh-cut bouquets, a craft she shared with her mother and sisters.

Betsey was preceded in death by her father, Vince Guhin; grandparents, George and Alice Cook and Howard and Gladys Guhin; and her faithful dog, Ringo.

She is survived by her husband, Phil, and their son, Sam; her mother, Darlene Guhin; her sisters, Emily (Scott) Eaton, Amy (Michael) McAuliffe, and Merry (Seth) Halverson; and many nieces, nephews, great-nieces, aunts, uncles, cousins, and cherished friends.

Her absence will be deeply felt by her family, her neighbors, and the city she loved and worked to strengthen. Yet her influence endures—in the civic projects she championed, the gardens she nurtured, the meals she shared, and the son she raised with such devotion.

The Hedrick family extends their deepest gratitude to Dr. Joan Dickson for the care she provided to Betsey. Dr. Dickson's willingness to come into their home, to meet Betsey's needs with dignity and compassion, and to support their family through these most difficult days provided the Hedricks a wonderful gift they will never forget.

Memorials are requested to assist with Sam's post-secondary education.

Remembrances and condolences may be shared with the family at www.SilhaFuneralHomes.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 4. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (MT)

Glendive Evangelical Church
118 W Borden St
Glendive, MT 59330

Memorial Service

OCT 4. 11:00 AM (MT)

Glendive Evangelical Church
118 W Borden St
Glendive, MT 59330

Tribute Wall

MS

“ *Marina Schock lit a candle in memory of Betsey Hedrick*



Marina Schock - October 21, 2025 at 01:49 AM

EB

“ *Dear Phil and Sam, my deepest condolences to you. Betsey was a bright star in my Glendive days and on Thanksgiving my mind often wanders to the one I spent with you when Sam was just a toddler. Her never bending faith no matter what the storm was a flag that will forever fly in my mind as the ultimate example of an obedient child of God. My prayers are with you as you. Emilie Boyles.*

Emilie Boyles - October 05, 2025 at 04:23 PM

PC

“ *Darlene, Mary, Emilee and Amy, I am so so sorry. Betsy was always involved in meals and creating culinary specialties. I remember Darlene saying Betsy had to be hands on. I'm sure Phil and Sam are stricken with loss. Be and what is the Ghuins memories Will be heavy on my mind for days.*

Penny Chamberlin - October 04, 2025 at 04:41 PM

GS

So sorry for your loss of Betsy. May God comfort you as only He can. Sending love to all the family. Glenda

Glenda Shottland - October 05, 2025 at 10:54 PM

DS

May God comfort and keep you close to Him. I am so sorry 🌸

Deborah Schulz - October 06, 2025 at 01:17 PM

LL

“ To Phil, Sam and family- Betsey is one of my most favorite memories of Glendive. I will miss her. She approached every issue with calm and steadiness, knowing that she had the ability to tackle it! Prayers and condolences to the family.



Linda Lien - October 04, 2025 at 09:25 AM

 Rena Marie

“ Dear Sam and Family, We are incredibly saddened to hear the news of Betsey’s passing. We have many fond memories of her. She was an amazing lady! Sending prayers and hugs to you all. - Rena, Lilly, and Derek Jenkins



Rena Marie - October 03, 2025 at 11:40 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Betsey Hedrick.



October 03, 2025 at 06:02 PM

NK

“ I didn't know Betsy really well. I admire her for things she accomplished in such a short while. She reminded me of Charlotte Web's little story book. "A spider web is stronger than it looks. Although it's made of thin delicate strands, the web is not easily broken." That to me describes Betsy and her work on the city council. My condolences to the family! I also want to say I appreciate it that Betsy in her catering career every single time would come up to me and say, does everything taste okay?



NANCY KORB - October 03, 2025 at 01:37 PM

ES

We have known Betsy since she was a young girl. Always smiling and happy! She will be missed by all. Ed and Debbie Schultz

Ed and Debbie Schultz - October 04, 2025 at 08:51 PM

~G

“ ~Shane, Tylene & Girls planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Betsey Hedrick.

~Shane, Tylene & Girls - October 03, 2025 at 01:13 PM

~G

“ ~Shane, Tylene & Girls purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Betsey Hedrick.



~Shane, Tylene & Girls - October 03, 2025 at 01:13 PM

JH

“ *john & Andrine Haas lit a candle in memory of Betsey Hedrick*



john & Andrine Haas - October 02, 2025 at 11:54 PM



“ *A grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Betsey Hedrick.*

October 02, 2025 at 11:13 PM

BT

“ *All of Betsy's Family and Friends I'm so sorry to hear about her passing! She was an Amazing person . It showed in everything she did whether it was with the City Council or at the EPEC. Sam hold all your Memories with your Mom and hold them close,she will always be by your side. RIP Betsy
Becky Chouinard Tipton*



Becky Tipton - October 02, 2025 at 09:46 PM

JB

“ *Betsey was the kindest, caring, most loving person whom we all loved! She talked with anyone and gave all of her attention, because she was truly interested. We are very appreciative to have watched her grow into the lovely woman she became. Our heartfelt sympathy to Phil and Sam and the rest of her family.
Joan and Gary*

Joan Cook- aunt to Betsey - October 02, 2025 at 06:40 PM

LD

*Darlene, Emily, Amy, Merry and families.
I am so sorry to hear of the passing of Betsey. She was a great lady and her passion for her family and friends will be missed. Betsy was the same age as my kids. I got to watch her grow up and grow into a wonderful talented lady. Betsey will be missed. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you . In Christian Love and friendship. Linda Dykstra*

Linda Dykstra - October 22, 2025 at 05:30 PM

LF

“ Love ~ The Swan Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Betsey Hedrick.

Love ~ The Swan Family - October 02, 2025 at 05:50 PM

LF

“ Love ~ The Swan Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Betsey Hedrick.



Love ~ The Swan Family - October 02, 2025 at 05:50 PM

BB

“ Bobbie Becker lit a candle in memory of Betsey Hedrick



Bobbie Becker - October 02, 2025 at 02:59 PM

NB

“ *Darlene, Amy, Emily and Merry and families- sincere condolences on the loss of your dear daughter and sister. May God grant you comfort and peace in the days ahead. Big hug, Gene and Norma*



Norma Bryan - October 02, 2025 at 02:23 PM

CB

“ *Sorry for your loss, many prayers from the Conaway Boys.*



Conaway Boys - October 02, 2025 at 11:19 AM



“ *Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Betsey Hedrick.*



October 02, 2025 at 10:58 AM

GF

“ *Greg Glass Family purchased the Joyful Memory for the family of Betsey Hedrick.*



Greg Glass Family - October 02, 2025 at 10:53 AM

BA

“ Phil, Sam & family, we are so sorry for your loss. Betsey was a wonderful person and will be missed. Hugs and prayers to all.



Bill & Joyce Ayre - October 01, 2025 at 11:17 PM

AA

“ I was deeply saddened to hear of Betsey's death. I served with her on the City Council for six years. We were the only women and enjoyed sharing and laughter at the meetings and texting each other for information. One of our projects was attacking "the pigeon problem" in the City. Betsey was on top of every project she took on. She was capable, compassionate and a delightful woman to work alongside. She will be missed by her husband and son and family most deeply. Her commitment to the Glendive community will be remembered. May God bless her memory among us.

Avis Anderson - October 01, 2025 at 10:16 PM

DF

“ Devries Family purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Betsey Hedrick.



Devries Family - October 01, 2025 at 09:25 PM

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“ The Hofer family (Robert, Gina & Zoie) planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Betsey Hedrick.

The Hofer family (Robert, Gina & Zoie) - October 01, 2025 at 08:23 PM

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“ *The Hofer family (Robert, Gina & Zoie) purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of Betsey Hedrick.*



The Hofer family (Robert, Gina & Zoie) - October 01, 2025 at 08:23 PM

MM

“ *Marla McCormick lit a candle in memory of Betsey Hedrick*



Marla McCormick - October 01, 2025 at 06:41 PM

RU

“ *Randy & Cheryl Unruh lit a candle in memory of Betsey Hedrick*



Randy & Cheryl Unruh - October 01, 2025 at 06:07 PM

VK

“ *Val Kuntz lit a candle in memory of Betsey Hedrick*



Val Kuntz - October 01, 2025 at 06:07 PM

PF

“ Phipps Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Betsey Hedrick.

Phipps Family - October 01, 2025 at 04:54 PM

PF

“ Phipps Family purchased the Joyful Memory for the family of Betsey Hedrick.



Phipps Family - October 01, 2025 at 04:54 PM

WM

“ Walter McKeen lit a candle in memory of Betsey Hedrick



Walter McKeen - October 01, 2025 at 04:30 PM

GK

“ Grace Koffler lit a candle in memory of Betsey Hedrick



Grace Koffler - October 01, 2025 at 04:07 PM

KA

“ Oh dear Betsey and dear friend. You will so be missed. My heart rejoices with you as you are in Heaven but my eyes are crying for the friend I will miss so dearly! I will never forget our trip to Billings for the concert, and all the coffees we had. Love you so much!
Phil and Sam, my prayers are with you!



Kari - October 01, 2025 at 04:00 PM

ST

“ Stacey lit a candle in memory of Betsey Hedrick



Stacey - October 01, 2025 at 04:00 PM

DC

“ DIANE CROCKETT lit a candle in memory of Betsey Hedrick



DIANE CROCKETT - October 01, 2025 at 03:16 PM

CS

“ C.J. Sager lit a candle in memory of Betsey Hedrick



C.J. Sager - October 01, 2025 at 03:13 PM



“ *Sweet Sincerity was purchased for the family of Betsey Hedrick.*



October 01, 2025 at 02:20 PM



“ *C.J. Sager lit a candle in memory of Betsey Hedrick*



C.J. Sager - October 01, 2025 at 02:18 PM



“ *Amber McPherson lit a candle in memory of Betsey Hedrick*



Amber McPherson - October 01, 2025 at 02:16 PM