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If desired, The Journal will e-mail or fax a proof of the obituary to the funeral home handling the service.

For more information, call Tammie Calder at 285-7411.

Robert Lendall Tupper, 75

Robert Lendall Tupper, 75, of Fort Frances, Ontario, passed away Sunday, Oct. 19, 2014, after a long battle with cancer.

He was born July 20, 1939, to Robert and Anita Tupper in Yarmouth County, Nova Scotia.

He grew up in Nova Scotia and as a young man enlisted with the Canadian Armed Forces. He was a career military man, serving all over Canada.

He was united in marriage to Karen Pullar on April 11, 1959, and together they had six boys.

After retirement they moved to International Falls, Minn., to be closer to family and settled in Fort Frances shortly afterwards.

Not one to be idle, Robert took a job with Voyageur Panel for six years.

In his spare time he enjoyed fishing and hunting.

He also volunteered with the Boy Scouts for over 20 years both as a Leader and a teacher.

He loved spending time with his family especially his grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

He leaves behind his wife,

Karen; sons, Scott Brian, Daniel Lendall, Roger Irvin and wife Joy, Teddy James and wife Rosita, Michael Sheldon and wife Ann and Robert Leo and wife Kimberly; 12 grandchildren, Jennifer, Bethany, Mathew, Adam, Kaylyn, Nikkita, Jeremy, Brittany, Brandon, Cody, Meghan and Robert Logan; two great-grandchildren, Emily and Kato; sisters, Shirley Mae Milligan and Diane Fay; as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

Robert was predeceased by his parents.

At his request, cremation has taken place and there will be no service.

If friends so desire, in memorial donations may be made to the Canadian Cancer Society, 920 Tungsten St., Thunder Bay, ON P7B 5Z6 or the Tamarack House, Suite 501, 984 Oliver Road, Thunder Bay, ON P7B 7C7.

Online condolences may be made in care of www.greenfuneralhomefortfrances.com.

Green Funeral Home, Fort Frances, is in charge of arrangements.

Katherine Marie Perala, 79

Katherine Marie Perala, 79, of Ash Lake, Minn., died Tuesday, Oct. 14, 2014, of natural causes in her home.

She was born May 7, 1935, in Grand Marais, Minn., to Frank and Cecelia (Murphy) Anderson.

Her maternal grandparents were early residents of Grand Marais; her grandfather owning a general store whose building currently houses the Beaver House bait shop.

As a young girl, Katherine lived in a number of small towns in northern Minnesota, including Tofte, Isabella and Cook, as her father, a ranger with the United States Forest Service, worked at various stations and Civilian Conservation Corps camps.

She graduated from Cloquet High School in 1953 and attended the University of Wisconsin at Madison

and the University of Minnesota, graduating in 1957 with a degree in education.

Following her graduation, she taught at elementary schools in Portland, Ore., and Roseville, Minn.

Katherine married Kenneth Perala, of Orr, Minn., on Dec. 27, 1958, at the Presbyterian Church in Cloquet. The couple moved to International Falls in 1962.

She was a substitute teacher in the Falls and Littlefork before teaching fifth grade and kindergarten at St. Thomas Catholic School in International Falls from 1974 until her retirement in 1997.

Katherine was a devoted daughter, wife, mother, and teacher, who touched the lives of many.

She enjoyed baking, gardening, playing cards, reading, traveling, including favorite trips to Alaska, Ja-

pan and Australia, sewing, and in later years, weaving.

She enjoyed the beauty of nature, especially northern Minnesota and loved looking out at the water from her home on Ash Lake.

She was preceded in death by her parents; brother, Frank Jr.; and brother-in-law, James Howard.

She is survived by her husband of 55 years, Kenneth; daughters, Suzanne Perala of Long Beach, Calif., and Mary (Terry Bounds) Perala of International Falls; son, Jon (Mie) Perala of Buffalo Grove, Ill.; grandson, Joseph Jon; aunt, Lillian Anderson of Coon Rapids, Minn.; sisters-in-law, Carol Anderson of Alpena, Mich., Joanne Larson (Ronald) of Woodbury, Minn., Beverly Howard of Virginia, Minn., and Ida Perala of Boston, Mass.; 12 nieces and nephews;



numerous grand-nieces, grand-nephews, cousins, extended family and dear friends.

A memorial service is planned for 11 a.m. Monday, Nov. 17, at St. Thomas Church. International Falls.

Cremation services were provided by the Cremation Society of Minnesota.

Margaret ‘Peggy’ Edens

Margaret “Peggy” Edens passed away Sunday, Oct. 19, 2014, at the Ranier Roost following a brief illness. Peggy was surrounded by family and the caring staff of the Ranier Roost at the time of her passing.

Peggy was born Nov. 30, 1917, in Bemidji, Minn.

Peggy was united in marriage to Donald Marion Edens on Aug. 19, 1944, in Washington, D.C.

She had made the Ranier Roost her home for the past nine years and will be dearly missed by all who knew her. Her humble kindness and warmth touched many hearts. She was viewed by her family

and others who loved her as an angel on earth. Her genuine faith in God and the human spirit was unwavering.

Peggy was preceded in death by her husband, Donald; two sons, Tom Edens and John Edens; parents, William and Margaret Murray; three brothers, Joe Murray, John Murray and Bill Murray; and three sisters, Anne Murray, Catherine Murray and Mary Ann Solberg.

Peggy is survived by her daughters, Margaret Edens, Barb Edens and Jean (Dale) Erickson; sons, Michael (Diane) Edens and Peter (Barb) Edens; grand-

children, Michael (Jodell) Edens, Joe Edens, Bruce (Leah) Sirotiak, Tammy (Chris) Sirotiak-Welch, Tom (Anna) Edens, Kristen (Todd) Jewett, Luke Erickson, Emily Erickson and Nick Amicucci; great-grandchildren, Taylor Rupert, Ethan Welch, Emma Welch, Zack Sirotiak, A.J. Edens and Hadley Edens; and by her sister-in-law, Eleanor Murray.

Mass of the Resurrection will be offered at 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 25, at St. Thomas Catholic Church, with visitation one hour prior to services.

Interment will be at St. Thomas Catholic Cemetery.



Condolences may be left at www.greenlarsen.com.

Arrangements are with Green-Larsen Mortuary Inc., International Falls.

Michael James Valentine, 60

Michael James Valentine, 60, of International Falls, Minn., passed away Monday afternoon, Oct. 20, 2014, at his home.

Michael was born April 20, 1954, in International Falls, to James and Donna Valentine.

He graduated from Falls High School in 1972 and attended Rainy River Community College and Hennepin County Community Vo-Tech.

He was a lifelong resident of International Falls.

Michael served in the United States Navy from 1973 until 1977.

He married Paula Gunther on Sept. 16, 1972, in International Falls.

Michael worked construction as a welder-pipefitter and was part of the Pipefitters Local 589 Union.

He loved hunting, fishing and spending time at

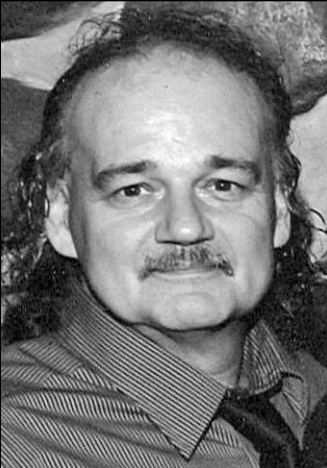
the hunting shack and on Rainy Lake.

Michael loved his grandchildren, which were his pride and joy.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Donna Valentine; and son, Joshua James Valentine.

Michael is survived by his father, James Valentine of Ericsburg, Minn.; two sons, Jesse (Kelli) Valentine and Lucas (Sarah) Valentine, both of International Falls; nine grandchildren, Krystal, Tyler, Dustin, Korie, Taylor, Savannah, Adien, Austin and Camoren; and sisters, Betty (Jay) Mitchell of International Falls, Cindy (Darwin) Sanden of Badger, Minn., and Toni (Dan) Dunbar of Ericsburg, Minn.

Memorial services will be conducted at 11 a.m. Friday, Oct. 24, at the Elks



Lodge, International Falls, with military rites.

Memorials would be preferred to the VA MC Fisher House in Minneapolis, Minn., in his memory.

Condolences may be left at www.greenlarsen.com.

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