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## **Eric Warren Truesdell**

Eric passed away suddenly at his home on December 22, 2007. A memorial service is planned for Thursday, January 3, 2008 at one o'clock in the Wellspring Community Center.

Bonners Ferry on June 30, 1951, Eric was a lifetime resident. He graduated from Bonners Ferry High School in 1969, and attended the University of Idaho. Following his time at the U of I, he worked briefly on the east coast, returning to Bonners where he made his home in Paradise Valley. Eric was passionate about the things he loved and enjoyed: his children and grandchildren, fishing, reading, studying the stars, a camp fire, creating beautiful lawns and gardens, spending time in the woods, anything sweet, cabinet making, woodworking, but most of all, playing his guitar and singing. At gatherings of family, friends, and special audiences, he always was willing to make his sweet brand of music in the countless, memorable sing-a-longs, and performances. Eric maintained a woodworking shop in his basement where he built beautiful furniture, created custom signage and a variety of wood art and gifts which he gave to, and are cherished by many.

He is preceded in death by his beloved sister, Lynn and is survived by his wife, Jeri; mother, Joyce; father, Warren; brother, Mark; daughters, Tracy, Ericka, Marie, step-children, Jamie and Damon; grandchildren Ayla, Joshua, Austin, Sydney, Avery, Nick, Nathan, Noah, Thalia, and Donny. Survivors also include a big extended family, and many lifelong friends.

Memorials can be made to the Elsberry Fund, and sent to the Panhandle Bank, PO Box 1479, Bonners Ferry, Idaho 83805.

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