

## Michael P. LeJeune, longtime Professional Land Surveyor, dies at 54

Michael P. LeJeune, a Professional Land Surveyor and Regional Survey Manager for White Shield, Inc. of Pasco, WA for over 22 years, died Monday April 11 at St. Patrick's Hospital in Missoula, MT after a sudden illness. During a career that spanned over 33 years, Mike managed survey projects for numerous government agencies and engineering firms throughout the Pacific Northwest, and was registered in seven states. Mike was an outstanding surveyor, and a pioneer in bringing GPS technology to projects in the West. He was well known for his attention to detail and a passion for delivering quality products.

Mike was born on January 13, 1957, in Rice Lake, WI, the youngest son of Harold and Eleanor LeJeune. He grew up in Portage, WI, and graduated from Portage High School in 1975. He went on to attend Madison Technical College, where he received an associate degree in land surveying technology in 1977.



Mike moved to Montana in 1978, living most of his life on Lolo Creek until the time of his death. He was an avid snowmobiler and four-wheel rider. He groomed the snowmobile trails at Lolo Pass and Garnet for many years and was active in the Missoula Snowgoers Snowmobile Club. He spent countless hours exploring every ridge, draw and back road, and you could always pick Mike out by the yellow rain pants he wore. If you had any doubt about getting to an area around Lolo Pass, Mike was the guy to ask.

Mike is preceded in death by his parents Harold and Eleanor, and his brother David. He is survived by his brother Jim (Valerie) LeJeune of Lacrosse, WI, and his nephews Christopher and Eric. Mike is also survived by his extended family of friends, Lolo Creekers, Surveyors, Beelers and Bikers.

An informal celebration of Mike's life was held Thursday, April 14, at the Lumberjack Saloon in Lolo. Memorials are suggested to the International Heart Institute of Montana Foundation, 500 West Broadway, Suite 350, Missoula, Mt., 59802; or the Missoula Snowgoers Snowmobile Club, PO Box 2441, Missoula, MT 59806.