



**M**ike Fleshman passed away unexpectedly on Saturday, February 28<sup>th</sup> at his home in Bozeman. He was born December 1, 1955 in Heidelberg, Germany to Ella Marie Puckett and Arthur N. Fleshman. Mike graduated from Gar-field High School in Woodbridge, Virginia, and joined the Army in 1974. Before moving to Bozeman in 1994, he resided in Northern Virginia.

Mike was preceded in death by his father. Survivors include his wife Cindy; his son Jason Michael of Manassas, Virginia; step-son Christopher Smith of Belgrade; mother Ella Marie Fleshman and Grandmother Ella Grimes both of Elizabethtown, Kentucky; brother Kenneth Scott of Soddy-Daisy, Tennessee; and his sister Susan Marie Fleshman of Wyndmoor, Pennsylvania.

More information will be forthcoming, and a celebration of Mike's life will be planned at a later date. Anyone who would like to make a tax-deductible donation in Mike's memory, please do so to Jazz Montana - Mike Fleshman Fund. All funds will be used to further the music education of young musicians in Southwest Montana.