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## Smokejumper Obituary

### **Phillips, Margarita K (Missoula 1988)**

Margarita, 62, died October 29, 2018. She was among the first female jumpers at Missoula and had a long career jumping from 1988 to 2010. Margarita grew up in St. Ignatius, MT., and got a degree in forestry from Salish Kootenai College. She worked with the Lolo NF Hotshots before jumping at Missoula.

Margarita was an accomplished runner and ran in events up to the 100-mile ultra marathons. She even hiked 14 miles just a few days before her death.

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