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The funeral service for Commissioner John Ostlund will be held on Saturday, July 12th at 10:00 a.m. at the MetraPark First Interstate Arena.

John was a lifelong county employee who served 30 years in the Yellowstone County Road and Bridge Department before retiring in 2002 when he was elected County Commissioner. On January 1, 2003, John began his role as County Commissioner, a position he held for 22 years.

During his tenure as County Commissioner, John was a member of the Montana Association of Counties (MACo). He was elected the MACo president in 2010 which was a legislative year. He spent a great deal of time in Helena advocating for Montana's counties and their residents. Advocating for Montana counties is something John continued to do even through the 2025 legislative session. John was an active participant on many Community, County and MACo boards and committees. Anyone who knew John knows he rarely missed a conference, committee meeting, coalition meeting, district meeting or board meeting.

Please join us to pay respects to this faithful public servant who spent 52 years dedicated to the service of Yellowstone County.