

CONSTANTINIDES FAMILY

NEWS ITEM: Funeral services for Laurel Rae (Carmin) Constantinides and her three daughters were held in Wheatland, Monday, July 25.

Laurel and her daughters, Hannah Xian Constantinides, Zoe Hong Chun Constantinides and Lucia Yoon Mee Constantinides died July 19 after their van plunged into a hole caused by a washout near Saratoga.

Laurel's husband, Alex Constantinides, was also in the van and the only one that survived.

Relatives of Laurel released a statement last week.

"We are nothing short of devastated by this loss, and are doing all we can do to begin to heal the immeasurable void they left behind. Family and friends are gathering in Laurel's hometown where many, many tears, laughs and countless hugs have been share," the statement reads.

Laurel's family went on to state that the outpouring of love, thoughts and prayers from friends and family have been very much appreciated.

"Alex, Laurel and the girls (Hannah, Zoe and Lucy) spent their last day together doing something they loved, camping in the mountains, with a clear stream trickling nearby, snow-covered peaks in the distance, just a little off the beaten path," the statement reads.

Laurel was a 1991 Wheatland High School graduate. She went on to attend the University of Wyoming

University of Wyoming President Tom Buchanan said in a statement that the UW community is "heart-broken" by the tragedy.

"We can not begin to comprehend what such a loss means to their loved ones," he said.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that those who feel compelled may visit to make a donation in honor of Laurel and her children.