



In Memory of:  
Robert B. Johnson  
Born, December 24, 1959 – died, January 21, 2010

The Tsalteshi Trails Association extends its condolences to the family of Robert Johnson: his wife Laurie, son Jason, and daughter Ashley and her children. Robert died suddenly and unexpectedly while hunting in Texas.

In addition to his career as a Kenai River Guide, in the early 1990s Robert began selling cross-country skis and gear first at Ken's Tackle and then at the current location at Beemun's Variety in Soldotna. He probably outfitted more people with skis than anyone in the history of the Peninsula. He primarily sold Rossignol skis and equipment and was adept at finding quality skis to sell at affordable prices to help out young skiers. His resume includes the fact that he outfitted Jay Hakkinen with his first Rossignol's in 1993 and Jay has continued to use that brand through four Olympic games and numerous World Cup events.

Robert was thoughtful, well read, funny, a great storyteller, and loved his wife, children, and grandchildren deeply. The Tsalteshi Trails Association appreciates what Robert Johnson has done for cross-country skiing on the Kenai Peninsula.