

28 Sept. 1984
Arnold Navratil, 61

LIBBY — Arnold J. Navratil, 61, of Libby, died of cancer Friday in St. John's Lutheran Hospital.

He was born March 25, 1923, at Glen Ullin, N.D., to Joseph and Catherine Navratil. He was raised and educated in North Dakota. He received his engineering technician training through correspondence courses.

He married Viola Meske May 16, 1946, at Glen Ullin. He worked for the Army Corps of Engineers for 30 years. From 1968 to 1972, he worked on the Libby Dam project.

He moved to Bridgeport, Wash., and returned to Libby in 1980.

Survivors include his wife, Viola; two daughters, Carol Sell, Libby, and Gerry Maze, Kalispell; four sons, Rod, Devils Lake, N.D., Tim, Chicago, Ill., Mike and Bob, both of Libby; his mother, Catherine, Glen Ullin; six brothers, Walter, California, Wilbert and Vernon, both of Minnesota, Gerald, Glendive, Don and Ervin, both of North Dakota; and eight grandchildren.

Rosary will be recited at the Vial Funeral Home Sunday at 7 p.m. Mass of the Resurrection will be 11 a.m. Monday at St. Joseph Catholic Church, with the Rev. Charles Roman as celebrant. Burial will be in City of Libby Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

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Max Naethe, 78

Max P. Naethe, 78, Whitefish, died of natural causes Sunday morning at North Valley Extended Care.

He was born Oct. 6, 1906, in Kalispell, the son of Max and Martha Naethe. He was raised in Kalispell and graduated from Flathead County High School.

On May 5, 1934, he married Anna Day in Polson and the couple lived in the Kalispell area. He worked as a mechanic and bodyman at various garages until retiring in the early 1970s.

He was a former member of the Kalispell Eagles.

He is survived by his wife, Anna, at the family home; four sons, Gary of Bigfork, Allen "Dick" of Whitefish, Gordon of Boise, Idaho, and Bob of Columbia Falls; a sister, Mrs. Everett (Clara) Baker of Columbia Falls; 12 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Erich.

Memorial services are at 4 p.m. today at the Christian Center in Whitefish with Dr. David Kauffman officiating. Arrangements and cremation are under the direction of the Weatherford Funeral Home in Kalispell.

11 Aug 1984
Helen Neary, 80

ROYAL OAK, Mich. — Helen R. Neary, 80, died Saturday in Royal Oak, Mich.

She was born March 3, 1904, in Buffalo, N.Y.

She married Joseph E. Neary on July 5, 1922, in Buffalo, N.Y.

She is survived by her husband, Joseph of Royal Oak, Mich.; three children, Joseph J. of Royal Oak, Daniel F. of Dearborn Heights, Mich., and Margaret Herron of Royal Oak, and eight grandchildren.

Graveside services will be 10:30 a.m. Thursday in Glacier Memorial Gardens with the Rev. Michael O'Neill of St. Matthew's Catholic Church officiating.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Diabetes Association.

Arrangements are by Johnson Mortuary.

3 Dec 1984
Knut Werner Nelson, 92

Knut Werner Nelson, 92, formerly of Kalispell, died Monday morning in the Baptist Nursing Home of Bismarck, N.D.

He was born Jan. 7, 1892, in Skredsvig, Dekerstron, Sweden, a son of Nils and Adolfin Johansson. In 1911, he came to the United States and worked as a laborer near Fargo, N.D. He later worked for the railroad in the Alberton area of Alberta. He then moved to Makoti, N.D., and was a carpenter and farm laborer there.

On Nov. 8, 1917, he married Magda Ophaug in Washburn, N.D. The couple lived at Roseglen, N.D., where they homesteaded and farmed until 1934. They then operated the Roseglen Lunches and Bar until 1948, when they moved to Minot, where Mr. Nelson worked with a heating and sheet metal

company until retiring in 1958. They then moved to Kalispell.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Magda, on April 13, 1964.

He lived in Kalispell until 1981, when he moved to Garrison, N.D. In 1982, he moved to the Baptist Nursing Home of Bismarck.

He was a member of the Calvary Lutheran Church of Kalispell.

He is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Ray (Evelyn) Patton of Bismarck, N.D., and Mrs. Frances Kerzman of Salem, Ore.; six grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren and a great-great-grandchild.

Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Thursday in Calvary Lutheran Church with the Rev. Thomas Walker officiating. Burial will be in Conrad Memorial Cemetery under the direction of Johnson Mortuary.

Rande Nelson, 36

GREAT FALLS — Rande Lee Nelson, 36, died Wednesday in a Great Falls nursing home following an extended illness.

He was born in Great Falls and received his education there. He attended Brown's School in Texas for one year.

He was an employee of Great Falls Roofing for 18 years.

He belonged to the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

He is survived by his mother, Linda Nelson of Bigfork; his father and stepmother, Lee C. and Vicky Nelson of Great Falls; four sisters, Sharla Nelson of Bigfork, Mrs. Kirk (Sheryl) Boyer of Broomfield, Colo., Mrs. David (Sheila) Zolman of Salt Lake City, Utah, and Mrs. James (Shanna) Rohbock of Great Falls; three brothers, Reece Nelson of Salt Lake City, Mike Perry and Tony Nelson, both of Great Falls; and 15 nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be 11 a.m. Saturday at Croxford and Sons Mortuary in Great Falls.

Glendetta M. Nelson, 68

Glendetta M. Nelson, 68, West Glacier, died Friday evening at Bigfork Convalescent Center in Bigfork.

She was born Jan. 28, 1916, in Kalispell, to John B. and Mary M. Sloan. She was raised and educated in the Flathead Valley and later in the Los Angeles, Calif., area.

She married Bill Nelson in 1956 in Spokane, Wash. They lived in Modesto, Calif.

She worked as a secretary for

NELSON, Glendetta M., 68, West Glacier, died Friday. Rosary 7 tonight at Van Leuven Funeral Home. Mass of the Resurrection 11 a.m. Tuesday at St. Richard Catholic Church. Burial in St. Richard Catholic Cemetery.

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Max J. Kunej Contractors in Spokane and for two years she worked for the Far East Air Force in Tokyo, Japan.

She moved back to the Flathead Valley in 1963.

She worked seasonally as a personnel clerk for Glacier National Park for six years.

She was preceded in death by her husband and five brothers.

She is survived by four sisters, Frances Tyree and Dorothy Mackin, both of Kalispell, and Jane Bolles and Martha Sloan, both of West Glacier; and numerous nieces and nephews.

A rosary will be recited at 7 tonight at Van Leuven Funeral Home in Columbia Falls. Mass of the Resurrection will be celebrated 11 a.m. Tuesday at St. Richard Catholic Church in Columbia Falls with the Rev. Bernard Sullivan officiating. Burial will be in St. Richard Catholic Cemetery, Columbia Falls.

The casket will not be open for viewing.

The family suggests contributions to St. Richard Catholic Church Poor Fund in Columbia Falls in lieu of flowers.

Wallace Nelson

Wallace F. Nelson, 72, Columbia Falls, died Saturday morning in Kalispell Regional Hospital.

He was born to John T. and Christina Neillson Nelson on April 1, 1912, in Butte, N.D. After attending school there, he entered the U.S. Army at Fort Snelling, Minn., in 1933. He served in the Army until 1936.

On Oct. 31, 1938, he married Esther Day in Coeur d'Alene. The couple lived in North Dakota until 1956, then moved to Anaconda, where he worked at the Anaconda Metals Co. smelter. In 1982 he entered the Montana Veterans Home. He was a member of the First Lutheran Church of Anaconda and Local 927 of the International Union of Operating Engineers.

Survivors include his wife, Esther, of Kalispell; two sons, Delbert, Richland, Wash., and Kenneth, Anaconda; a daughter, Kathleen Galle, Anaconda; a sister, Cecilia Linn, Kirkland, Wash.; two brothers, Harry, Anaconda, and Lloyd, Minot, N.D.; and seven grandchildren.

Funeral services will be in Anaconda on Wednesday. Johnson Mortuary has forwarded the body to the Longfellow-Finnegan Funeral Home.

Marilyn Nicholaus

Marilyn Nickolaus, 48, a native and former resident of Glasgow, died August 21 in Eureka, Montana.

She was born May 11, 1936 at Glasgow to Merle and Bessie Taylor.

She was raised at Glasgow and had attended Glasgow Public Schools. Following her graduation she was employed by a phone company in California until returning to Glasgow in 1957.

She married Gerald Nicholaus on May 26, 1960 in Glasgow. She had worked for many years as a dispatcher and clerk at the Glasgow Police Department. She and her family moved to Eureka in 1971 where she has since made her home. She had been a member of the Assembly of God Church.

Survivors include her husband of Eureka, two daughters, Jerilyn and Jana, one son, Merle, all of Eureka, one brother, Daniel Taylor of Glasgow.

Funeral services were held Saturday at 1 p.m. at the Baptist Church in Eureka. Burial followed in Tobacco Valley Cemetery under the direction of the Vial Funeral Home in Eureka.

Octavia Nixon, 45

CONDON — Octavia A. Nixon, 45, Condon, died of cancer Tuesday at her home.

She was born Aug. 8, 1938, in Detroit, the daughter of Lewis and Margaret Assaff.

She taught school in Michigan for 17 years before moving to the Swan Valley in 1970. She was a teacher in the Swan Valley for eight years before her death.

Survivors include her husband, Ed Nixon, Condon; her father, Louis Assaff, Detroit; and a sister, Libby Pieper, Detroit.

Cremation has taken place at Sunset Memorial Gardens Crematory under the direction of Squire Simmons & Carr Funeral Home. Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Nixon Ranch.

The family suggests memorials to Dr. Storm, c/o John Wayne Cancer Clinic, UCLA, Los Angeles, Calif., 90024. Contributions should be designated "For Research Only."

Fred Noble, 90

HAYWARD, Calif. — Fred C. Noble, 90, formerly of Kalispell, died May 12 in Hayward, Calif. where he had resided since 1964.

He was born March 7, 1894.

He was a retired sea captain, ran a feed and flour mill in Mount Vernon, Wash., before coming to Montana in about 1945. He was in the real estate business in Kalispell and then owned and operated the Blue Moon nightclub until 1959.

He was preceded in death by a son, Fred Charles Jr.

He is survived by his wife, Ethel, whom he married April 26, 1921, in Norfolk, Va.

He is also survived by a son, Dr. William Noble, and five grandchildren, all of Hayward, Calif.

Memorial services will be held in California with cremation and burial in Ferndale, Wash., beside his son.

Friends wishing may send condolences to 3421 Hackamore Drive, Hayward, Calif. 94541.

Paul A. Nordahl, 76

31 July 1984
TREGO — Paul A. Nordahl, 76, died Tuesday of a self-inflicted gunshot wound at his residence in Trego.

He was born March 17, 1908, in Alesund, Norway to Maalo and Anna-Sophia Nordahl. He came to North Dakota in 1923 and moved to eastern Montana in 1934 to work in the oil fields. In 1936 he moved to Warland, Mont. to work for the Forest Service.

In 1937, Nordahl worked for the

Forest Service as a maintenance man and equipment operator at the Murphy Lake Ranger Station. He retired from the Forest Service in 1954 and farmed and logged until his retirement in 1972.

He married Yolande Vizzutti on Dec. 4, 1941 in Kalispell.

Nordahl was a veteran of World War II and a member of the American Legion.

Survivors include his wife, Yolande, Trego; a son, Jean, For-

tine; nine brothers and sisters in Norway; and three granddaughters, Sonja Nordahl, Kalispell; Kara Ann Nordahl, Fortine and Davida Lee Nordahl, Arizona.

He was preceded in death by a brother, David, in 1979.

Graveside services will be 1 p.m. Friday at the Fortine cemetery with the Rev. Gary Logue officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of the Vial Funeral Home in Eureka.

Jean Y. Nordwall

1984
Jean Y. Nordwall, 47, 1185 Montford Road in Kalispell, died at home Friday evening, May 4, of cancer.

She was born July 4, 1936 in Glasgow, the daughter of Nels and Eleanore Peterson. She was raised and attended school in Nashua.

On Dec. 24, 1968, she married Roy Nordwall in Nashua. They operated a Volkswagen agency in Glasgow before moving to Columbia Falls in 1970. They had been Kalispell residents since 1972.

In recent years, Jean had been actively engaged with her husband in operating Thermal Tech., an insulating and siding business.

She is survived by her husband Roy at the family home in Kalispell; a daughter, Mrs. Mark (Lisa) Hundley; and a son, Scott Nordwall both of Kalispell; one grandson; her parents, Nels and Eleanore Peterson of Bigfork; one sister, Mrs. Brian (Pat) Loucks of Great Falls; and numerous other relatives.

Memorial services for family and close friends will be held Saturday, May 12, at 2 p.m. at the family home. Arrangements and cremation are by the Weatherford Funeral Home.

The family suggests memorial contributions to the Flathead Hospice Project, P. O. Box 1532, Kalispell, Montana 59901.

David Norris, 26

19 July 1984
David Bruce Norris, 26, Kalispell, died Friday at Kalispell Regional Hospital.

He was born Nov. 13, 1957, in Munich, West Germany, a son of Mr. and Mrs. H.R. Baker. When he was 2 his family returned to Kalispell, where he attended local schools. He graduated from Flathead High School with honors in 1978.

He worked at Flathead Industries in the recycling center and thrift store, and was an active member of Trinity Lutheran Church. He was also a Boy Scout and participated in Special Olympics.

Survivors include his parents, Harold (Dick) and Dorothy Baker of Kalispell; four brothers, Alfred (Butch) at Fort Carson, Colo., Wayne in Helena, and Royal and Terry, both of Kalispell; and two sisters, Wanda Posey of Billings and Robin White of Lisbon Falls, Maine.

Funeral services will be Tuesday at 10 a.m. in Trinity Lutheran Church with the Rev. Darold Reiner officiating. Burial will be at Fairview Cemetery. Visitation will be Monday from 4-8 p.m. at the Johnson Mortuary.

The family suggests memorials to Trinity Lutheran Church or Flathead Industries for the Handicapped.

Jan MAX NAETHE 1985

Max P. Naethe, 78, Whitefish, died Dec. 30 at North Valley Extended Care of natural causes. He was born Oct. 6, 1906 in Kalispell, the son of Max and Martha Naethe. He was raised in Kalispell and graduated from Flathead High School. On May 5, 1934, he married Anna Day in Polson, and the couple have lived in the Kalispell area since then. He worked as a mechanic and bodyman at various garages until retiring in the early 1970s. Surviving besides his wife Anna at the family home are four sons, Gary of Bigfork, Allen "Dick" of Whitefish, Gordon of Boise, Idaho, and Bob of Columbia Falls; a sister, Mrs. Everett (Clara) Baker of Columbia Falls; 12 grandchildren and nine great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents and a brother Erich. Memorial services were Jan. 2 at the Christian Center in Whitefish, with Dr. David Kauffman officiating. Arrangements and cremation were under the direction of the Weatherford Funeral Home.