

OBITUARIES

Died 11 Jan 1989
Mona Stewart Ness, 88 *13 Jan 1989*

Mona Stewart Ness, 88, of Concrete, Wash., died Wednesday at her home following an extended illness.

She was born Aug. 20, 1900, in Lakeview, Iowa, where she was raised and educated. She received her teaching certificate from the Iowa State University.

In 1924, she moved to Scobey where she taught school.

She married Oral A. Ness in Scobey. He preceded her in death in 1964.

In the late 1920s they moved to Detroit, Mich., and then to Glasgow in the early 1930s, where they lived until 1941.

In 1941, they moved to Bremerton, Wash. In 1947, they moved to Kalispell.

Mrs. Ness taught at Galata country school for several years. She retired from teaching in 1967 and remained in Kalispell until 1985 when she moved to Concrete to be with her family.

She is survived by her son and daughter-in-law, Stewart and Susan Ness of Concrete; three grandchildren, Silas and Stefanie Ness of Concrete and Irene Shephard of San Diego, Calif.; two sisters, Eva Wymore of Woodburn, Ore., and Jeanne Maebrlein of Murphys, Calif.

Graveside services and burial will be at Conrad Memorial Cemetery in Kalispell on Monday at 1 p.m.

Arrangements were by Hawthorne Funeral Chapel of Mount Vernon, Wash.

Edwin Norman Nelner, 69

14 May 1989
Mr. Edwin Norman Nelner, 69, of Kalispell, died in the Kalispell Regional Hospital on Tuesday evening.

He was born Aug. 25, 1919, in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, to Theodore and Martha Price Nelner. He grew up and attended school in Craigmyle, Alberta. In February 1941, he joined the Canadian Army Dental Corps, serving until receiving his honorable discharge as sergeant on Aug. 23, 1945.

On July 3, 1950, he was married to Anne Marie Moll in Calgary, Alberta, and in 1952, the couple moved to Kalispell where they have since resided.

He then established the Kalispell Dental Lab, which he owned and operated until retiring in 1988.

He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church, where he served as Elder and Deacon; Toastmasters Club; past president of the Downtown Lions Club, and a member of the Kalispell Elks Lodge and the Trinity Masonic Lodge 152 AF&AM.

He was an enthusiastic golfer and

enjoyed spending time outdoors and with his family.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one sister, Irma Nelner, in 1987.

Survivors include his wife, Anne Marie Nelner, at the family home; two daughters, Janet and husband, Paul Mullis of Missoula, and Barbara and husband, William Burton of Anaconda; two brothers, George and Stan Nelner, both of Calgary, Alberta; two sisters, Ileen Konnert of Vancouver, British Columbia, and Doris Comfort of Calgary; three grandchildren, Marci Mullis, Danny Mullis and Krista Burton, and 11 nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday in the First Presbyterian Church with the Rev. Barry Dawson officiating. Burial will be in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

Friends may call at the Johnson Mortuary for visitation until 8 p.m. on Friday. The casket will not be opened for the services.

The family suggests memorials be made to the Heifer Project or to the charity of donor's choice.

Bennie Nelson

Bennie Nelson, 85, a former Libby resident, died at the St. Joseph Nursing Home in Polson May 7, 1989.

He was born June 4, 1903 at Bisbee, N.D., to Abel and Annie Nelson.

He married Hazel Oss at Devils Lake, N.D., in 1931.

They moved to Polson in 1943 and there Nelson engaged in fruit farming and contract farm work until they moved to Libby in 1958.

After retiring in 1972, the Nelsons moved back to Polson, where he enjoyed fishing, camping and other outdoor activities.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Hazel, on June 3, 1987.

Survivors include three sons, Dennis Nelson, Tempe, Ariz.; Arnold Nelson, Missoula, and David Nelson, Libby; a daughter, Audrey Burton, Cut Bank and Polson, and eight grandchildren.

Services were conducted at the Mosley-Shrider Funeral Chapel May 11, at 2 p.m., with the Rev. Rudy Ringhoff officiating.

Memorials may be made to Three Lakes Community Church of Troy and the First Baptist Church of Polson.

Leroy E. Nichols, 85

Leroy E. Nichols, 85, Libby, died Nov. 17 at Libby Care Center. *1989*

For many years, he was Troy's gravedigger.

Survivors include a nephew, John Capron, Troy; and a niece.

Graveside services will be 3 p.m. Tuesday at Troy Cemetery.

LAURA NOBLE

Word has been received of the death of Laura Noble, 29, on February 18 in Hayward, CA. *1989*

Laura was born in Kalispell on December 17, 1959 to Dr. Wm. (Bill) and Alayne Noble.

She was preceded in death by her grandfather, Fred C. Noble, in 1984.

Besides her parents, she is survived by three sisters, Robin McDonald and Ellen and Allison Noble; a brother, Fred; her grandmother, Ethel Noble; her maternal grandfather; an uncle; two nieces; and a nephew.

Services were held February 28 in Hayward.

A memorial trust fund in Laura's name to help with kidney transplant expenses for her lifelong friend, Pamela "James" Longtin, has been set up at the First Federal, Box 718, Bigfork, MT 59911, account number 07-103653. Anyone wishing to contribute may do so and condolences may be sent to the Nobles at 3421 Hackamore Dr., Hayward, CA 94541.

Anthony Allan 'Tony' Newberry (Doohan), 20

16 Aug 1989
Anthony Allan "Tony" Newberry (Doohan), 20, Bigfork, died Wednesday near Helena of accidental carbon monoxide poisoning.

He was born March 10, 1969, at Colorado Springs, Colo., the son of B.F. and Margot Newberry. He was raised in Denver until coming to Aliberton at the age of 10. He moved to Bigfork with his family four years later and was a 1988 graduate of Bigfork High School.

At Bigfork High School, he was a straight A student and served as student body president. Among his other activities, he won a number of honors in speech and debate.

Tony was a sophomore at the University of Montana, where he belonged to Sigma Nu fraternity. He was also a straight A student at UM, where he was active in the UM marching band, and was helping teach gymnastic classes.

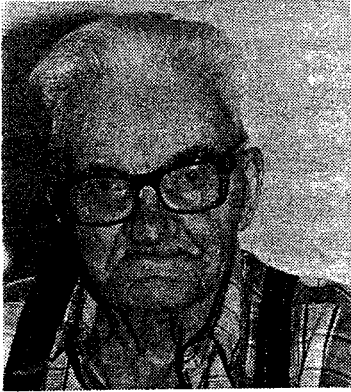
One of his interests was the

Japanese language, having been a foreign exchange student to that country. Tony was also interested in gymnastics, sailing, weight lifting, playing the French horn, and studying law. He was instrumental in developing the O'Duachain Country Inn in Bigfork. Tony was baptized in the Catholic faith.

He was preceded in death by his father, B.F. Newberry.

Surviving are his parents, Tom and Margot Doohan at the family home in Bigfork; four brothers, Michael Doohan of Sunnywide, Wash., Tom Pat Doohan of Spokane, Wash., Shaun Doohan of Costa Mesa, Calif, and Kevin Doohan of Denver, Colo.; a sister, Sheila Cole of Denver; and many other relatives and friends.

Memorial services will be Saturday at 1 p.m. at Bethany Lutheran Church in Bigfork with the Rev. Herb Knutsen officiating. Arrangements and cremation are under the direction of the Bigfork Funeral Home.



Adolph Nommensen, 81

27 March 1989

Adolph Nommensen, 81, of Kalispell, died in Immanuel Lutheran Home on Monday morning.

He was born Aug. 3, 1907, in Brittain, S.D., a son of Christian and Caroline Nommensen. He was the youngest of six children.

In October 1910, he moved with his family to the Flathead Valley where they owned and operated a farm on Spring Creek. Mr. Nommensen graduated from Trinity Lutheran School.

He worked on the farm using steam-run thrashers and binders to harvest grain.

A short time after his father's death in 1940, he sold the farm to his brother and did logging work. He had worked in Montana, Idaho, and Washington.

He later returned to the Flathead and worked at the Flathead County Library until 1987.

He was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church.

He is now survived by a sister, Alma Kraft, at Immanuel Lutheran Home in Kalispell, and several nieces and nephews including Emil Nommensen Jr. of Coram, Paul Kraft and Helen Jans, both of Kalispell.

Funeral services for Mr. Nommensen will be held at 10 a.m. on Thursday in Trinity Lutheran Church with the Rev. Darold Reiner officiating. Burial will be in Trinity Lutheran Cemetery. Friends may call at Johnson Mortuary for visitation until 8 tonight.

Emil A. Nommensen, 65

Emil A. Nommensen, 65, Coram, died Nov. 12 at his home. *1989*

He was born July 19, 1924, to Emil A. and Lucie Scott Nommensen. He was baptized and confirmed at Trinity Lutheran Church in Kalispell and attended grade school and high school in Kalispell.

He enlisted in the U.S. Navy Sept. 19, 1942. He served as turret gunner on a Navy bomber stationed on Attu Island. After several bombing missions on Japanese-held islands in the North Pacific, he was shot down and interned in Russian Siberia. After 10 months as a prisoner, he escaped and made his way back to Allied lines through China, India and the Near East.

He was decorated with the Air Medal, Gold Star Asian ribbons and three stars, the African, European and Theater of Operations ribbons and one star, and the American Theater ribbon.

He was discharged Oct. 31, 1945. He lived in Kalispell and Great Falls

and married Mary Campbell in 1945. A son, Kenneth, was born to this union.

He married Margie Wagner in 1961 and moved to Coram in 1962.

He was employed as a bus driver, railroad fireman and retired as park utilities foreman in 1985 from Glacier National Park.

He is survived by his wife, Margie, Coram; one son, Kenneth, and his wife Edie, one grandson and one granddaughter, all of North Pole, Alaska; two brothers, Robert of Great Falls and Norman of Douglasville, Ga.; two sisters, Irma Kassner of Spokane, Wash., and Leona Russell of Elma, Wash.; two stepdaughters, Laura Darrington of Kalispell and Betty Amundson of Great Falls; numerous step-grandchildren and great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews, cousins and one aunt, Alma Kraft of Kalispell.

He was preceded in death by a sister, Helen Price.

Cremation has taken place. Memorial services are pending.

CURTIS NORBY

Curtis Ryan Norby, five-month-old infant son of Steve and Carolyn Norby, Kalispell, died May 21 unexpectedly at his home. 1989

He was born December 6, 1988.

He is survived by his parents and two brothers, Russell and Bradley, at the family home; his grandparents, George & Billie Wartnow and Dennis and Christine Norby, all of Whitefish, and Wendell and Vicky Stamps and Darlene Stamps, all of California; and a number of other relatives.

Graveside services were at the Whitefish cemetery.

Fergus Norrie, 81

^{23 Dec 1989}
Fergus S. Norrie, 81, of Libby, died Thursday at St. John's Hospital.

He moved to Libby in 1989, after farming for many years in North Dakota.

Local survivors include a daughter, Barbara Spencer, Libby.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Vial Funeral Home Chapel in Libby. Burial will follow at the City of Libby Cemetery.

PEARL O. NYBERG

Pearl O. Nyberg, 87, longtime Polson resident, died of natural causes Wednesday, November 1, at St. Joseph Hospital. 1989

She was born March 3, 1902, in Somers.

She and Edward M. Nyberg were married in Kalispell and then resided in the Polson area. Mrs. Nyberg was employed at Johnson's Variety Store in Polson for many years.

After the death of her husband, she lived at Lakeview Village retirement center in Polson until moving to St. Joseph Nursing Home.

Active in volunteer work, Mrs. Nyberg was a charter member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary and a member of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Polson.

Besides her husband, two sisters and a brother also preceded her in death.

Survivors include several nieces and nephews.

Services will be 2 p.m. Saturday at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church with the Rev. Kent Bartle officiating. Burial will follow at Lakeview Cemetery under the direction of Mosley-Shrider Funeral Home.

The family suggests memorials to the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church or to St. Joseph Nursing Home.