

Ardeanah V. Naber, 76

Ardeanah V. Naber, 76, of Kent, Wash., died Sunday, May 1, 1994, at Valley Medical Center in Renton, Wash., after a lengthy illness.

She was born March 14, 1918, in Palisade, Colo. She was a high school graduate in Lodge Grass.

She had lived in Reno, Nev., before she moved to Seattle, then to Kent in 1972. She was employed as a practical nurse for 25 years at nursing homes, hospitals and private homes.

She was preceded in death by a stepson, Greg Naber on Sept. 25, 1993; and a sister, Dollean Lind in 1991.

Survivors include her husband, John of the family home in Kent; two daughters, Jacqueline Lewis of Kent and Patricia Grigg of Kalispell; three stepsons, John C. Naber of El Paso,

Texas, David Naber of Renton, Wash., and Russell Naber of Gillette, Wyo.; five brothers, Wesley Young, Gary Young and Joe Young, of Kalispell, Arthur Young of Troy and Fred Young of Cottage Grove, Ore.; three sisters, Jacqueline Plympton and Madeline Coleman, both of Kalispell and Louise Klos of Kirby, Wyo.; six grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be today from 5-8 p.m. at Eldine-Yahn Funeral Chapel in Kent, Wash.

Services will be Wednesday at 2 p.m. at Zion Lutheran Church. Burial will follow at Hillcrest Burial Park in Kent.

Memorials may be made to Zion Lutheran Memorial Fund, 25105 132nd Ave. S.E., Kent, Wash., 98042.

Ronnie Muse Nance, 52

Ronnie Muse Nance, 52, of 655 Horse Mountain Drive, Asheboro, N.C., died Thursday, Aug. 25, 1994, at Lake Tahoe Medical Center in Reno, Nevada, of heart complications.

The funeral was held Aug. 29 at First Baptist Church of Asheboro. Burial took place at Oaklawn Cemetery, in Asheboro.

Nance was a native of Randolph County and graduated from Asheboro High School and served in the U.S. Army National Guard. He was employed by Central Telephone in Asheboro for 17 years, then several other communications companies including Northwestern Telephone Co. in Kalispell. He was the division engineer for the Montana Division of Northwestern Telephone from 1980-

82. In 1993, he started Network Construction Services. He was a member of the Telephone Pioneers Association, Power and Communications Contractors Association and the First Baptist Church.

Surviving are his wife, Wanda Rothrock Nance; daughter Wendy Nance Snyder; sons Todd Wayne Kates and Brandon Matthew Nance and one grandson.

Wanda Nance was employed by Norwest Bank from 1980-82. Brandon Nance was born in Kalispell. Ron Nance loved boating, fishing and being a general contractor.

Memorial contributions may be made to First Baptist Church Building Fund, PO Box 936, Asheboro, N.C., 27204-0936.

Evelyn Joyce Naylor, 82

Evelyn Joyce Naylor, 82, of Kalispell, died Sunday, Jan. 23, 1994, in Kalispell Regional Hospital following surgery on Jan. 14.

She was born Aug. 14, 1911, in Trossacks, Saskatchewan, Canada, to Elmer B. and Mattie Shipman. They moved to McIntire, Iowa where she graduated from high school and went on to Iowa State Teacher's College in Cedar Falls, Iowa. She taught in a one-room school, nicknamed Bush College, prior to her marriage.

She was married to Milo W. Naylor on June 22, 1935, in McIntire. They made their home at Brandon, Iowa, where their two sons were born.

They moved to St. Ignatius in August 1940 and to Kalispell in 1942. Evelyn worked at Buttrey's Department Store, Gambles, managed the S&H Green Stamp Store, drove the Spokesman-Review paper route, and had a vending machine route for the Crippled Children's Association.

She taught Sunday school, worked with the youth group and sang in the church choir at Central Christian Church. She performed regularly in the Midwinter Circus Productions that were popular in 1942, 1943 and 1944 as a soloist and choir singer.

She loved to sew, making many clothes for herself and her granddaughters. In later years she took up crocheting, making shawls, doilies

and bedspreads which she sold at craft fairs in the valley. She crocheted bedspreads for her daughter-in-law and each of her five grandchildren. She crocheted a bedspread for her own bedroom and included matching drapes.

Evelyn enjoyed watching her grandchildren grow and marry, and then seeing nine great-grandsons and one great-granddaughter join the family.

She was preceded in death by her son, Cecil Duane in April of 1992; a grandson, Brian Duane in July 1978; two brothers; and one sister.

She is survived by her husband of 58 years, Milo at home; a son and daughter-in-law, Dean and Dorothy Naylor of Anaconda; two sisters, Jennie Shipman of Kalispell and Faye Ohden of Harcourt, Iowa; five grandchildren, Roger Naylor of Anaconda, Rick Naylor of Brooklyn Park, Minn., Lisa Main of Missoula, Kerrina Ratzburg of Boise, Idaho, and Melanie Iblings of Circle Pines, Minn.; and 10 great-grandchildren.

The family will receive visitors at Johnson Mortuary from 4-6 p.m. on Wednesday.

Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. on Thursday in Central Christian Church with the Rev. Terry Vanheyningen officiating. Burial will be in Glacier Memorial Gardens.

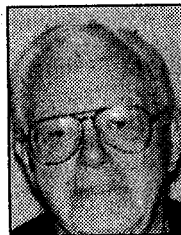
John G. Neise, 80

John G. Neise, a longtime resident of the Flathead Valley, died on Nov. 1, 1994.

He was born Aug. 11, 1913, in Chicago, where he spent most of his youth and earned a college degree.

After living in various places throughout the country, he came to the Flathead Valley to raise his family in a quality environment and enjoy the great outdoor life this region offers.

Throughout John's lifetime, he enjoyed many different forms of employment. However, while living in the Flathead, he wrote a variety of outdoor articles for local newspapers. He was a deputy for



the Flathead County Sheriff's Department. He also was a longtime employee of Korn Buick, from which he retired.

John was an avid hunter, but he will be remembered by numerous family members and friends for sharing his fishing expertise and knowledge of hot spots in northwestern Montana.

John is survived by sons Richard Neise of Columbia Falls, and Michael Nelson of Texas; daughters Freddie Bieman of Colorado, Barbara Bondurant of Idaho, Pattye Judd and Beverly Giesey, both of Kalispell, Donna Lightfoot of Oregon, and Nancy Morris of Utah; and numerous grandchildren.

Private family services will be held Friday at Conrad Memorial Cemetery. Arrangements are with Buffalo Hill Funeral Home.

Sophie Neisess, 77

Sophie Neisess, 77, of Troy, died Tuesday at Libby Care Center of natural causes. *28 April 1994*

Survivors include two sons, Joseph and Charles Neisess, both of Troy; two sisters; two brothers; 20 grandchildren; 38 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be Sunday from 2-8 p.m. at Nelson & Vial Funeral Home.

Services will be Monday at 2 p.m. at Milnor Lake Cemetery with the Rev. Howard Schreibeis officiating.

John S. Nelsen, 51

John S. Nelsen, 51, died Dec. 25, 1994, in Whitefish.

He graduated from Shadle Park High School in Spokane. He attended Gonzaga University and received his masters degree in electrical engineering from Kentucky University.

He worked at Grand Coulee Dam and, for the past six years, Hungry

Horse Dam.

He is survived by a daughter, Kirsten Nelsen Piccolo, of Colbert, Wash.; a son, Mike Nelsen, of Ronan, and two grandchildren.

Funeral services will be today at Hazen & Jaeger Funeral Home in Spokane. Interment will be at Fairmount Memorial Park.

Harvey 'Toby' Nelson, 73

Harvey Hicks "Toby" Nelson, 73, was born Sept. 23, 1920, in Northfield, Minn., to Naomi and Harvey T. Nelson, and died April 13, 1994, in Polson.

Toby left Minnesota after high school graduation in 1939 to enter Montana State College at Bozeman on an athletic scholarship. He attended MSC for two years before being called into the Army in World War II, during which he served in Europe.

On Nov. 25, 1942, he married Jane Sherman in Bozeman, where he graduated from college in 1947.

Toby then accepted a teaching job in Polson, where he taught and coached basketball, football, track and golf, and served as athletic director before retiring in 1975. During Toby's career, he patiently and quietly touched the lives of innumerable students, parents and colleagues.

After retiring from Polson High School, Toby was the golf professional at the Polson Country Club, where he lovingly presided over the grass greens which had originally lured him to Polson.

A multi-faceted man, Toby was active in the building of the new First Baptist Church, coordinated basketball tournaments, was a member of the senior golf association, a member of the Montana Officials Association Hall of Fame (inducted in 1984), established the local National Guard unit, was a local civil defense director, a supporter of Mis-

sion Valley Friends of the Arts and community concerts, and a consummate Polson Pirate.

Sports surged through his veins. If an athletic event was taking place, Toby was more than likely in attendance, donning purple and gold.

He was preceded in death by his father and by his 100-year-old mother last Christmas.

Toby is survived by his wife of more than 51 years, Jane, of the family home; a son, Steve of Polson; four daughters, Jan Scott of Colorado Springs, Colo., Sandy Dobday of Medway, Mass., and Ginny Fuqua and Amy Knutson, both of Polson; as well as their spouses and 14 beloved grandchildren. Also surviving are two brothers, Palmer of Clitherall, Minn., and Steve of Bloomington, Minn.; as well as Toby's many friends across the state and the world.

Visitation will be at Mosley-Shrider Funeral Home today from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. and on Friday from 9 a.m. to noon.

Memorial services will be held Friday at 4 p.m. in the Linderman Gym in Polson. Toby requested that those attending wear their school colors to celebrate his life and leaving behind his constant pain.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Toby Nelson Scholarship Fund, established at First Citizens Bank, 213 First Street W., Polson, 59860.

Harold L. "Sarge" Neff

Harold L. "Sarge" Neff, 79, said goodbye to his many friends and family on Thursday, Feb. 24, 1994, at the Lake View Care Center in Bigfork. He was born in Austin, Minn. on Aug. 9, 1914. He retired from the U.S. Army Air Force in 1964, after 30 years of service. He was an avid Cubs and Bears fan, and never knew a stranger. He loved life and lived it to the fullest. His other love was his car.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Peggy, and a daughter, Lucille. He is survived by a daughter, Jacquie Purdy and her husband Larry in Kalispell; two brothers, Ray, in Michigan and Glenn in Iowa; two sisters, Pearl and Agnes both in Iowa; four grandchildren and eight great grandchildren. There will be no public services. Memorial donations may be made to the Lake View Care Center in Bigfork, toward the purchase of a whirlpool.

Arrangements are under the direction of the Johnson Mortuary.

Joshua D. Nelson

Joshua Douglas ¹⁹⁹² Nelson, three months, died June 19 of Sudden Infant Death Syndrome while camping with his family in the North Fork of the Flathead Valley.

He is the son of Doug Nelson and Kip Hansen.

He is survived by his parents; and brothers: Brandy Nelson, Tony Hansen, Corey Hansen and Jake Hansen.

Whitefish Pilot

Memorial services were Saturday at the North Valley Alliance Church in Whitefish. Cremation has taken place under the direction of the Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish.

A. WAYNE NELSON

A. Wayne Nelson, 67, Madras, Oregon, died of a heart attack at his home Sunday, November 12th, while bringing in firewood. He was born and raised in Kalispell, the son of Ernest and Eline Nelson. He attended Flathead County High School and for several years was bookkeeper for the Kalispell Wholesale Grocery. He moved to Portland, Oregon, and graduated from Western States Chiropractic College. He married the former Geneva Larsen in Portland in 1947, and is survived by his widow in Madras, who is also a chiropractic physician, and their children, Cheryl W. Baker of Gresham, Oregon, Luella E. Nelson of Washington, D.C., and Leslie D.

Nelson of John Day, Oregon. He is also survived by his mother, Eline Nelson of Spokane, Washington, a sister, Eunice Hirst, of Spokane, and one grandson, Adam Baker of Gresham, Oregon, nieces and nephews. The Nelson's had lived at Burns, Oregon, prior to moving to Madras in 1963. He was Jefferson County Justice of the Peace since 1969, a member of the Madras Kiwanis Club, the United Methodist Church, and was affiliated with the Odd Fellows in Kalispell, Montana. A memorial service was held Thursday, November 16th at the United Methodist Church with Rev. Perry Jackman officiating. Private burial followed.

Walfred Newgard, 78

Walfred Newgard, 78, died at his home in Lakeside Sunday, Sept. 4, 1994, from cancer.

He was born June 7, 1916, in Virginia, Minn., to Herman and Selma Newgard. He attended schools in Eveleth, Minn., and worked for the REA in Virginia, before enlisting in the army in 1942.

He served with the 82nd Airborne Infantry Division during World War II. He was wounded in the Normandy invasion, and later fought in the Battle of the Bulge. He was discharged from the Army in November, 1945.

Walfred married Mildred Koski in

Virginia, Minn., in 1946. They moved to Kalispell in 1947. Walfred went to work for the Flathead Electric Coop, where he worked as line superintendent until his retirement in 1978.

He enjoyed his family and friends, he loved to do woodworking, camping, golfing and did a lot of traveling after his retirement.

He was preceded in death by his parents, a brother and a sister.

He is survived by his wife, Millie, at the family home in Lakeside; two sons, Robert and his wife, Suzanne, of Kalispell and Ronald and his wife, Susan, of Bigfork; two grandsons, Brandon of Kalispell and Bradley of

Bigfork; a brother, Wally, of Eveleth; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was a member of the Eidsvold Lutheran Church.

Funeral services will be Wednesday at 2 p.m. at Eidsvold Lutheran Church in Somers with the Rev. Wayne Pris officiating. Burial will follow at Conrad Cemetery in Kalispell.

The family requests memorials to Eidsvold Lutheran Church, Flathead Hospice, or the charity of the donor's choice.

Arrangements are by Buffalo Hill Funeral Home.

Longtime Glacier Park secretary dies in Kalispell

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KALISPELL — Edwina Noffsinger, the secretary to four Glacier National Park superintendents, died Tuesday morning at the Immanuel Lutheran Home in Kalispell. She was 97.

She started working in 1948 at Park headquarters as secretary to Fred Bussey, chief clerk, and then became Superintendent J.W. Emmert's secretary. She continued in that capacity for Superintendents E.A. Hummel, H.L. Bill and also for Stanley Joseph, acting superintendent in 1958. She retired Dec. 23, 1966, while Keith Neilson was superintendent and Jack Dodd was assistant superintendent.

She recalled in earlier *Hungry Horse News* interviews how she lived in the Conrad Mansion when she was a girl. Her brother, Egbert (Bert) transferred from Missoula to Kalispell. He and Kate Conrad, daughter of Mrs. Charles E. Conrad and the late Mr. Conrad, were married in 1909.

Edwina lived with her brother and

sister-in-law. She recalled the family gathering at the "Big House" for the Christmas holiday and how that was the start of her staying with Mrs. Conrad and her daughter Alicia in the Conrad Mansion. Edwina attended sixth, seventh and eighth grades at Central School.

She also remembered the Conrad buffalo herd kept at the Smith Valley Ranch in winter and brought to Buffalo Hill on the north edge of Kalispell in summer and how sometimes buffalo would wander down to the streets of Kalispell.

After her education in Minnesota and Washington, she worked in Puerto Rico and was married. Her husband died in 1926.

In 1935 she returned to Kalispell and the following year married George Noffsinger, Sr., who headed the Park Saddle Horse Co., the famed Bar X 6. She remembered 600 horses being shod in 1936 to be used in Glacier Park's horse concession.



Edwina Noffsinger

Her husband died in 1947 and the concession was sold. Edwina retained property that had been part of the ranch on Duck Lake and her home was one of the former ranch buildings.

She then began her lengthy career at Park headquarters.

Memorial services are Saturday at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home. An obituary is on page 8. *MH*

Dorman Nolan, 73, died Sept. 18, 1994, at St. Patrick Hospital in Missoula. He was born May 17, 1921, at New Somerset, Ohio, the son of William and Ada Nolan. He was raised and educated in Ohio and came to the Libby area with the Civilian Conservation Corps in 1941. He married Marjorie Heath on Oct. 16, 1941, at Libby.

He worked for Zonolite and the J. Neils Lumber Co. before serving with the United States Army during World War II. Following his honorable discharge in 1946, he returned to Libby. He had been a long-time employee of the J. Neils Lumber Co. and the St. Regis Paper Co., serving in later years as foreman of the company machine shop. He retired in 1983 after over 45 years of service. In 1991, he and his wife celebrated their golden wedding anniversary. He had been a member of the Assembly of God Church, the Lumber & Sawmill Workers Local 2581; the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars. He was preceded in death by a son, Duane Nolan, in February of 1992.

Survivors include his wife Marjorie, at the family home in Libby; a daughter, Darlene Auge, Hope, Idaho; a son, Dorman Gene Nolan, Olympia, Wash.; a sister, Eva Peppenger, Hot Springs, Mont.; nine grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

Friends may call at the Nelson & Vial Funeral Home from 1-8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 20. Services will be Wednesday, Sept. 21, 2 p.m. at the Libby Assembly of God Church with Pastor J.E. Jacobson officiating. Burial with military honors will be in the city of Libby cemetery. The family suggests remembrances be made to the Montana Lung Association or Libby Volunteer Ambulance. *Libby*

George (Sonny) Anthony Nool

Mr. George (Sonny) Anthony Nool, 80, of Lakeside, died in the Kalispell Regional Hospital on Tuesday, Oct. 25, 1994 of natural causes. He was born April 6, 1914 in Butte, to Tony and Barbara Nool. For many years he was the general yardmaster for the Northern Pacific Railroad in Butte. He later transferred to Whitefish, where he retired from Burlington Northern Railroad with fifty five years of continuous service. He was an avid hunter and fisherman and enjoyed the outdoors.

He was preceded in death by his mother, father and one sister.

He is survived by his wife, Pauline; daughter, Barbara both at the family home in Lakeside; a son-in-law, Altie and Sharon Dudden of Butte; a granddaughter, Lynn Dudden of Billings; a grandson, Gary Dudden of Butte and one great-granddaughter, Alyssa Dudden of Butte.

Cremation has taken place and there will be no services at the request of the deceased. Memorials may be made to the Lakeside Quick Response Unit in Lakeside or to a charity of choice. Arrangements made by Johnson Mortuary.

Charline Nores, 72

Charline Lejoy Nores, 72, died July 12, 1994, at her home in Libby. She was born Sept. 24, 1921 at Little Rock, Ark., the daughter of Charles and Cordelia Price. She married Edgar P. Nores in 1938 at Yuma, Ariz. They resided at many places throughout the United States as well as overseas while her husband served with the United State Navy. Following his retirement, they came to Libby in 1977 where she since made her home. Her husband preceded her in death in 1992.

She is survived by two daughters, Carol Bernard, Florence, Ore.; Debbie Mattila, Libby; seven sons, Robert, Eugene, Ore.; John, Stephen and Keith, all of Libby; Gary and Michael, Oregon; and Gerald, Pearl River, Ore.; and numerous grandchildren.

Private interment will be in the City of Libby Cemetery. Arrangements are by Nelson & Vial Funeral Home. *Libby*

Mabel K. Nordtome, 97

Mabel K. Nordtome, 97, died Wednesday, April 27, 1994, at Immanuel Lutheran Home.

She was born Sept. 7, 1896, in Browning to Xavier and Selena Billedeaux. She moved with her family as a very young girl to Kalispell.

Mabel met and later married Clarence Nordtome on Aug. 18, 1923. They made their home in Kalispell. Clarence died in 1974.

Mabel was very active in church work, she was a member of St. Matthew's Catholic Church. She was president of the Altar Society and charter member of the Daughter of Isabella. She made altar linens for St. Matthew's, which were taken to Portland for use in the cathedral there.

Mabel enjoyed traveling, and she

and her husband traveled many times to Canada, as well as visiting their friends in the South and on the West Coast.

Mabel was loved by all that knew her, and she will be missed by family and friends.

Mabel is survived by daughters, Patricia Bures of Niceville, Fla., and Dorothy Herington of Kalispell; a sister, Mamie Weaver; three grandchildren, Cynthia Carter, Scott Bures and Sandra Bures; and three great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Friday at 2 p.m. at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home with the Rev. Thomas O'Donnell of Risen Christ Catholic Church. Interment will follow at Glacier Memorial Gardens.

Lilian Normann, 83

Lilian Normann, 83, died Thursday, Sept. 8, 1994, at the family home on the west shore of Flathead Lake.

She was born May 11, 1911, in Hettinger, N.D., the first daughter of O.T. and Lilian Peterson.

At age 11, after the death of her father, Lilian, her mother, three brothers and two sisters moved to Kalispell to make their home in the valley.

After graduating from Flathead County High School, Lilian taught at Lone Pine School, Flathead Mines, and Westside School in Kalispell. She attended teacher's college in Cheney, Wash., and Eastern Montana College.

In 1941, she married Homer Normann. They loved Flathead Lake. In 1948, they began building their home on Juniper Bay, which became the center of many family gatherings and warm memories.



She taught several years at Somers School and worked in the office of the Flathead County Superintendent of Schools.

In 1970, she returned to college and received her bachelor's degree from the University of Montana. She taught in Lakeside until her retirement in 1974.

She is survived by her husband, Homer, at the family home; a daughter, Frances MacKay of Kalispell; two sisters, Helen Larson of Kalispell and Frances Travis of Butte; two granddaughters, Cheryl Cochran of Puyallup, Wash., and Collette Davies of Auburn, Wash.; and two great-grandsons, Tyler and Alex Cochran of Puyallup.

She was preceded in death by her parents and three brothers, Charles, Paul, and Phil Peterson.

Arrangements are by Johnson Funeral Home. Cremation has taken place. Private burial will be at Conrad Memorial Cemetery. A private memorial dinner will be held for family and friends, who will miss her and remember her well.

William E. 'Bill' Norquay, 90

William E. "Bill" Norquay, died Sunday, Sept. 4, 1994 in a rest home in Anacortes, Wash.

He died of natural causes at the age of 90.

He was born to William and Florence Norquay in Lewistown on Nov. 4, 1903. As a child, his family moved to Whitefish where he went to school. He worked as a woodsman until World War II.

He served in the Army from 1941 until 1944, then lived in Washington until his death.

He was preceded in death by his twin sister, Edith Mock; four other sisters; and four brothers.

He is survived by one sister, Mary Mikesell of Ronan; a nephew, E.R. Arnold of Whitefish; a stepgranddaughter, Jennifer Crichton of Langley, Wash.; plus many nieces and nephews.

Cremation has taken place in Anacortes. Graveside services will be at Whitefish Cemetery at 2 p.m. Saturday with military graveside rites.

Carl J. Norton, 49

Carl J. Norton, 49, of Kalispell, died Dec. 30, 1994, at Virginia Mason Hospital in Seattle, following a lengthy illness of pancreatitis.

He was born Aug. 3, 1945, in Cortland, N.Y., to Carrol and Gertrude Norton.

He served in the U.S. Air Force from 1964-1968.

On June 15, 1966, he married Virginia "Gini" Hammer. Since 1970, they resided in the Flathead, where they raised their children, Cheryl and Mike. His family was the joy of his life.

Carl enjoyed camping, hiking and the beautiful Montana scenery. As a self-employed carpenter, he leaves a legacy with his craft.

He was preceded in death by his

parents, Carrol and Gertrude Norton. He is survived by his wife, Gini, at the family home; daughter Cheryl, son Mike, and his wife, Patty, all of Kalispell.

Being the eldest of eight children, Carl is also survived by a brother, Gary Norton, and sisters, Barbara Chamberlain, Joyce Moore, Sandra Norton, Lois Norton, and Laura Norton, all of Cortland, N.Y., and Karen Meeks, of Clarksville, Tenn., and their spouses and families.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Wednesday at Johnson Mortuary Chapel. Burial will be at Lonepine Cemetery near Bigfork, where military honors will be conducted by the Flathead United Veterans Organization.

1994 Rev. Charles A. Nowlen Jr., 66

Rev. Charles A. Nowlen Jr., 66, a retired United Methodist minister, died Wednesday, Oct. 5, at his home at Lake Mary Ronan.

He was ordained to the ministry in 1956 after graduating from the University of Wyoming and the Iliff School of Theology in Denver. He pastored people and served churches from 1949 to 1991.

Those parishes included: Carpenter, Burns, and Hillsdale, Wyo.; Lyons and Rinn, Colo.; Townsend, Raidersburg, Tosten, East Helena, Dutton, Brady, Collins, Kalispell, Chester and Inverness, Mont.; Westside Church in Great Falls; and Mountain View Church in Butte. He served the conference as a district superintendent based in Missoula by pioneering the position of coordinator of the council on ministries and as a missionary to Wasilla, Willow, and Trapper Creek, Alaska, and Turnagain Church in Anchorage.

He served the general church as a member of the general board of discipleship; trustee of the Iliff School of Theology, serving concurrently with his father on that board; one of the founding members of the Montana Association of Churches, western jurisdiction Conference of Council Directors.

He was a second lieutenant and served in the U.S. Army Transportation Corps during the Korean War. He was able to exercise his ministry skills, pastoring and preaching on board troop ships to and from Korea, as well as while serving there.

He was born to Melva Obernolte and Charles A. Nowlen Sr., on May 23, 1928. During his childhood, he lived with his parents and sister Barbara in Methodist church parsonages throughout Wyoming and Colorado. He was a Boy Scout and Eagle Scout, working at Camp Bob Waite during his college years.

On Dec. 21, 1949, he married Phyllis Hladek, of Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

They and their six children have an extended family of 28 and have spent much time together at Lake Mary Ronan.

Following retirement in 1993, they traveled, visiting family members. They spent 16 months in Salem, Ore., sharing life with Phyllis's mother, Iola Hladek, until she passed away in 1993.

They had been preparing their lake property for the construction of their permanent home since 1992, spending summers there in a motor home.

His family members are: son Andy and his wife, Carol, and children Jonathan, Sarah and Naphtali, of Salem, Ore.; son Bill and former wife, Michaelene and their children Chris, Patrick and Nathan, of Missoula; daughter Becky and her husband, David Lande, and their children Daniel and Caleb, of Huson; daughter Judy and her husband, Rob Miller, and their children Ben, Jason and Becca, of Santa Maria, Calif.; son Peter, friends David and William, of Sacramento, Calif.; son Jeremy, his son Wesley and daughter Whitney and Whitney's mother Alana, all of Lolo; sister Barbara and her husband, Rev. Eugene Beye, of Louisville, Neb.

He had great pride for all his family, including many other nieces, nephews and grand-nieces and grand-nephews.

Memorials may be given in his name to the Charles A., Melva O., and Charles A. Nowlen Jr. scholarship fund at Iliff School of Theology, 2201 S. University Blvd., Denver, CO, 80210.

A memorial celebration will be held 11 a.m., Monday, at the First United Methodist Church in Missoula, Rev. Steve Garnaas-Holmes officiating.

Chuck was a caring pastor, gentle father and loving husband.

Arrangements are by Squire, Simmons and Carr Funeral Home.