

Alvin E. Nash, 79

Alvin E. Nash, 79, died Friday, Aug. 15, 1997, at Brendan House in Kalispell.

He was born Sept. 1, 1917, at Great Falls, the son of Earl and Nina Anderson Nash. He grew up in the Great Falls community. His grade school years were spent at Emerson School. He graduated from Russell High School in 1936. He worked on farms in the summer during high school; milking cows, training horses, and putting up hay.

After graduation from high school, he worked at Montana Power for one year, 1937, and the Great Falls Smelter from 1938 to 1944.

He married Margaret Sereday on May 22, 1940, at the Assembly of God Church in Great Falls. Five children were born to them. They lived in Great Falls six years, then moved to Hungry Horse in 1946, and bought approximately 10 lots from the Rev. Davis.

He worked at the Hungry Horse Dam from 1948 to 1952. He built the Crooked Tree Motel and indoor swimming pool. He started working at the Aluminum Plant in Columbia Falls, June 29, 1955, from which he retired after 38 years on Sept. 1, 1993. He also helped build the Assembly of God church and parsonage in Hungry Horse. He lived in Hungry Horse 31 years until he sold his land in 1976. He then purchased a duplex in Columbia Falls, and lived in the top unit for 1 1/2 years while building his family home in Kalispell, which they moved into in 1978.

He was a member of the Assembly of God Church in Great Falls, Hungry Horse, Columbia Falls and then Kalispell Christian Center. He loved



to read and study the Bible and Watchman Nees' writings and books. He was a member of the Gideon organization; A.A.R.P.; Kalispell Senior Citizens; and the Heritage Club.

He was a good provider, and built three homes for his family. He enjoyed gardening, fly fishing, ice fishing, hunting, and traveling.

He is preceded in death by his parents; two brothers, Donald and Marlin; and one granddaughter, Renae Burtsfield.

He is survived by his wife, Margaret, at their home in Kalispell; two sons, Gary Nash and his wife, Brenda of Blue Springs, Mo., and Rodney Nash of Nampa, Idaho; three daughters, Ruth Allred and her husband, Clyde, of Kennewick, Wash., Donna Morken and her husband, Phil, of Bigfork, and Leona "Nonie" Kost of Livingston; 12 grandchildren; 15 great grandchildren; and two brothers, Leonard Nash and his wife, Myrtle, of Kalispell, and Clayton Nash and his wife, Myrtle, of Moses Lake, Wash.; two sister-in-laws, Ruth of Kalispell, and Barbara of Ephrata, Wash.; and many nieces, nephews, and other relatives and friends.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday at 2 p.m. at the Christian Center (Assembly of God) in Kalispell with the Rev. Bob Ross and the Rev. Ernie Enget officiating. Interment will follow at Glacier Memorial Gardens.

Visitation will be today until 6 p.m. at Johnson Mortuary Chapel. The family suggests memorials be sent to Hospice, 1280 Burns Way, Kalispell, MT 59901, the Gideon Bible Fund, P.O. Box 1305, Kalispell, or the Christian Center (Assembly of God), 255 Summit Ridge Drive, Kalispell. Arrangements are by the Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.

Michael Owen Neal, 52

Michael Owen Neal, 52, of Molalla, Ore., died Saturday, March 15, 1997, in Mt. Angel.

He was born in Portland, Ore., on Feb. 1, 1945. He was a Navy veteran of Vietnam War.

He married Christine Lyonaïs on Aug. 24, 1986, in Kalispell.

He worked as a licensed respiratory therapist at Salem Hospital. He lived in Hubbard before moving to Molalla in 1993. He was a member of St. James Catholic Church in Molalla. He enjoyed knife collecting and camping.

He is survived by his wife, Christine, of Molalla; his mother, Sally Neal, of Tillamook, Ore.; children, Chuck Stahlberg of Keizer, Ore.,

Steve Stahlberg of Salem, Ore., Barb Raines of Canby, Ore., Julie Williamson of Vancouver, Wash.; brothers, Rick Neal of Gainesville, Fla., and Russell Stringham of Hoodspport, Wash.; two sisters, Sharon Pagalienun of Portland and Barbara Neal of Tillamook; and seven grandchildren.

Recitation of the rosary will Wednesday at 7 p.m. in Simon Funeral Chapel. Mass of Christian burial will be Thursday at 11 a.m. at St. James Catholic Church in Molalla. Interment will be at Miller Cemetery in Silverton, Ore.

The family suggests memorials to cancer research.

1999 Eileen Kolodejchuk Nedved, 66

Eileen Kolodejchuk Nedved, 66, of Coram, passed away Friday, May 23, in Kalispell, after a long, brave battle with cancer.

She was born March 2, 1931, in Lemmon, S. D., to Matthew and Agnes Goeres. She was raised on a farm in North Dakota and went to college in Dickinson, N. D.

She was married to Isadore "Izzy" Kolodejchuk on Aug. 8, 1952, in Dickinson. They had seven children. They lived in Colorado for a short time and then moved to Hettinger, N. D. They moved to Missoula in 1965 and then to West Glacier in 1966. In 1969, they moved to Coram where she lived until the time of her death. Her husband died on April 1, 1975.

On Jan. 20, 1979, she married Eugene N. Nedved on Jan. 20, 1979, in Columbia Falls.

What she enjoyed most in life was traveling and fishing with her husband, Gene, gardening, sewing, caring for her children, watching her grandchildren grow and laughing with her many friends, especially Juanita.

She is preceded in death by a brother, Jim, and a grandson, Jake Davis.



She is survived by her husband, Gene, of Coram; her children Allen Kolodejchuk, of Columbia Falls, Arlen Kolodejchuk, of Coram, Ann McMaster of Lewistown, Ardell Watkins, of Seattle, Ryan Kolodejchuk, of Falls City, Wash., Glenn Kolodejchuk, of Kalispell, and Annette Davis of Missoula; four step children, Jim, Mike and Rand Nedved and Joy Mentzel, all of Gillette, Wyo., and 26 grandchildren.

A rosary will be recited 7 p.m., Monday, at Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls. Visitation will be noon to 8 p.m., Monday, at Columbia Mortuary.

Mass of the Christian Burial will be 11 a.m., Tuesday, at St. Richards Catholic Church in Columbia Falls. Rev. Joe Pat Sullivan will officiate. Burial will follow in St. Richard's Catholic Cemetery in Columbia Falls.

The family suggests memorials be made to the Canyon Quick Response Unit or the charity of the donor's choice.

Florence Nelson, 85

Florence Edna Nelson, 85, of Kalispell, passed away at Immanuel Lutheran Home, Tuesday, Nov. 18, 1997, after an extended illness of Parkinson's disease.

We mourn her passing, but celebrate her release to her eternal home. She was lovingly cared for at home for several years by her husband Reuben. She spent the last three years living at Immanuel Lutheran Home.

She was born in Yankton, S.D., on Sept. 1, 1912, the middle daughter of Dr. Harold and Ingeborg Caroline Halverson.

She graduated from Yankton High School in 1930 and attended Yankton College, where she received a teaching degree. She later attended the University of South Dakota, where she received a degree in education. She taught elementary school, mostly fourth grade, for several years in South Dakota and in Willmette, a suburb of Chicago, Ill.

In 1950, she moved to Kalispell to teach at Cornelius Hedges. It was in Kalispell that she met her husband, Reuben, and they were married on June 5, 1953.

She was a loving wife, mother and grandmother. While raising her children, she devoted her time and talents to Girl Scouts; 4-H Club; PTA;



Home Extension; Century Club; and Bethlehem Lutheran Church.

She inherited her father's great love of nature and enjoyed hiking and learning the names of wildflowers and birds. She also enjoyed music, reading, sewing, artwork, drawing and spending time with her many friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; two brothers, Kenneth and Robert; and three sisters, Jessie, Vivian and Ruth.

She is survived by her husband, Reuben, of Kalispell; two daughters, Ann Starcheski and husband, Jim, of St. Albert, Alberta, and Debra Nelson Funk and husband, Eric, of Whitefish; two granddaughters, April and Ashley Starcheski, both of St. Albert, Alberta; a sister, Marjorie Halverson of Yankton, S.D.; also several nieces, nephews and cousins.

Funeral services will be Friday with burial at 10 a.m. at Glacier Memorial Gardens. Funeral Services will follow at 11 a.m. at Bethlehem Lutheran Church with the Rev. Rick Nelson officiating. Visitation will be today until 6 p.m. at Johnson Mortuary Chapel.

The family suggests memorials be given to Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 603 South Main Street, Kalispell, MT. 59901 or Immanuel Lutheran Home, 185 Crestline Ave., Kalispell, MT. 59901.

Arrangements are by the Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.

1997 John Lovell 'Val' Nelson, 79

John Lovell "Val" Nelson passed away at his home on Friday, April 25, after a long, courageous battle with cancer. He was 79.

He touched everyone he met in a very special way and will be missed by all who knew him.

He was born Nov. 6, 1917, in Woolford, Alberta. He was the oldest of seven children born to John Alexander Nelson and Vera Wilcox Nelson.

In 1924, the family hitched up the team, loaded the wagon and moved to the small farming community known as Chestnut Valley near Cascade. They eventually moved to Great Falls in 1932. He graduated from Great Falls High School in 1937.

On June 10, 1939, he married his high school sweetheart and best friend, Margaret Jane Carter. They went on to have a full and wonderful 58 years together.

He truly enjoyed life and people. He had a special gift of putting others before himself. His generous heart, sense of humor and positive attitude showed in everything he did.

He was an active member of the Church of Jesus Christ of the Latter Day Saints, serving in many capacities. He loved the Lord and his willingness to serve Him was always present. He also enjoyed reading and traveling.

His love of people showed in his career as a salesman. In the 1950s, he established and managed Agricultural Equipment Co. in Great Falls, selling sprinkler systems and chemicals throughout Montana. He then went to own Big Sky Highlander, where he sold Maytag laundry equipment and operated laundries in Great Falls and Kalispell. In 1974, he moved to Big-



fork, where he retired.

He was preceded in death by a granddaughter, Collette Nelson and daughter-in-law Barbara Nelson.

He is survived by his wife, Margaret, of Bigfork;

daughter Janelli O'Rourke and husband Jim, of Great Falls; sons John Nelson and wife, Deana, of San Antonio, Texas and Dick Nelson and wife, Jan, of Charlotte, N. C.; daughter Judy Nelson, of Edmonds, Wash.; grandchildren: Mary O'Rourke, of Portland, Ore., Mike O'Rourke, of Great Falls, Kerri Schultz, and husband, Dave, of Kalispell, John A. Nelson, of San Antonio, Texas, Amy Nelson, of Denton, Texas; Brett Nelson, Mark Nelson, and Beth Nelson, all of Charlotte, N.C.; great grandchild Leigha Nelson, of Denton, Texas; brothers Bruce Nelson and wife, Ruth, of Great Falls, Lee Nelson and wife, Vickie, of Bigfork and Bob Nelson of Kalispell; sisters Ruth Miller and husband, Ivan, of Hyrum, Utah, Verda Jenson and husband, Leon, of Salt Lake City, and Joyce McMaster and husband, Earl, of Kalispell.

Visitation is 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday at Johnson Mortuary. A funeral will be 2 p.m., Thursday, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints Chapel, 121 Crestwood Drive, in Bigfork with Bishop Mark Smith officiating. Burial will follow at Conrad Cemetery.

The family suggests memorials be sent to Home Options Hospice at 1280 Burns Way, in Kalispell.

Kenny P. Nelson, 66

19 Jan 1997
Kenny P. Nelson, 66, died Sunday at Bismarck Hospital in Bismarck, N.D., following a stroke.

He is survived by his mother, his wife, three children, three sis-

ters, and two brothers, including David Nelson of Whitefish.

Martin Luther Nelson, 80

Martin Luther Nelson, 80, died at his home in Kalispell, Wednesday, Aug. 13, 1997.

He was born Dec. 17, 1916, in Northfield, Minn., to Rasmus and Lena Kirsgaard Nelson. He spent his childhood years in Buffalo, Wyo., and Hutchinson, Minn.

After graduating from Hutchinson High School in 1938, he served in the U.S. Army during World War II from 1940 to 1945.

He married Ruth Christensen on Oct. 18, 1941, in Minneapolis, Minn.

He worked in the plumbing business for five years in Hutchinson. They moved to Kalispell in 1950, and he worked on the Hungry Horse Dam for two years. He then worked for Anaconda Aluminum Company from 1955 to 1980.

His retirement was spent traveling, watching the Grand Ole Opry and watching his grandchildren play ball, which he lived for. He also loved his crafts and visiting his "Moose City" home.

He was a member of the American Legion and the Flathead Booster Club, and he was a charter member of the Calvary Lutheran and Bethlehem Lutheran churches.

He was preceded in death by his parents; four brothers; Alfred, Elmer, Paul, and Peter; an infant son, Howard and infant granddaughter,

Sarah.

He is survived by his wife Ruth at the family home; three sons, Warren Nelson, Lowell Nelson and wife, Yvonne, Duane Nelson and wife, Nancy; two daughters, Jane Radel and husband, Michael, Joyce Schaumburg and husband, Kent, all of Kalispell; also 14 grandchildren - eight grandsons, Ken Nelson, Andy Nelson, Nate Nelson, Zack Nelson, Ryan Schaumburg, Matthew Radel, Jason Radel, and Gregory Radel; six granddaughters, Angela Nelson, Megan Nelson, Kaylan Radel, Sonya Schaumburg, Kali Radel, and Carrie Schaumburg, all of Kalispell; also three great-grandchildren, Kenny Nelson Jr., Kurtis Nelson and Kane Nelson all of Kalispell; with numerous other relatives and friends.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, at 12 noon at the Bethlehem Lutheran Church with the Rev. Bob Nilsen officiating. Burial will follow at Glacier Memorial Gardens in Kalispell, with military honors by the United Veterans organization. Visitation will be today until 6 p.m. at Johnson Mortuary Chapel and Saturday until service time.

The family suggests memorials be sent to Calvary Lutheran Church, 2200 Hwy 2 East, Kalispell, MT 59901. Arrangements are by the Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.

Rose 'Ricki' Nelson, 74

Rose M. "Ricki" Nelson, 74, of Denver, Colo., died March 8.

She was born Dec. 31, 1922, in Fielding, Mont., to Samuel and Anna Rickard.

On Jan. 17, 1948, she married Keith L. Nelson in Kalispell.

Survivors include her husband and son, daughter, sister Luella Scott of Kalispell, and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents and three sisters.

Services were held in Littleton, Colo.

Frederick James Ness, 55

Frederick James Ness, 55, beloved son, best friend and little brother, dotting big brother, fun-loving "Uncle Freffy," helping hands — always helping hands — passed away peacefully at home on Saturday, Feb. 15, 1997.

He was born in Kalispell on April 30, 1941. When he was 17, he joined the Army to be with his big brother. He was stationed in Germany and very proud of the 10-wheeler he drove.

He was a carpenter by trade. He shared his latter years between Northern California, Kalispell, and Reno, Nev.

Fishing was one of his favorite things to do and his family and friends believe that he is at the best fishing lake in the universe now.

He will be dearly missed by his mother, Mary June Allen, of Palmetto, Fla.; his father, Ervin T. Ness, of Oroville, Calif.; his big brother and best friend, Ted Ness, of Reno; his sisters, Sonja Stayton of Eureka, Calif., Cindy Jarvis of Palmetto; and his youngest brother, Dan Ness of Vancouver, Wash.; as well as nine nieces and nephews; eight great-nieces and nephews; numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

No services are planned.

Francis 'Bud' Neumann, 70

Francis "Bud" Neumann, 70, died at his home in Kalispell on Tuesday, Feb. 25, 1997.

How does one begin to share remembrances of a man who lived 70 years and was so many things to so many different people? "Francis," as he was known to his parents, Ernest and Bernadette, and 11 brothers and sister; "Bud" as he was known to his wife of 50 years, Betty; "Dad," as he was known to his four daughters Sandy, Cheri, Carol and Keri; and "Grandpa" to his 11 grandchildren.

He was born Jan. 29, 1927, in Bemidji, Minn. He was the eighth child in a family of 12 children. Christened "Francis Jerome Phillip Neumann" he soon became "Bud."

On Oct. 5, 1946, he married Betty Hirt.

He worked numerous jobs in Minnesota before coming to Montana in 1949. He worked for Nash Finch on

the Hungry Horse Dam and for Flathead Beverage for many years until 1971. He then purchased the Sportsman Bar and Grill, which he owned and operated until retiring in 1978.

After retiring he became interested in building miniature furniture and doll and bird houses.

He is survived by his wife, Betty and their four children, Sandy Heslop and her husband, Dave, and their two children of Marysville, Calif., Cheri Dale and her husband, Steve, and their four children of Shepherd, Carol Guy and her husband, Bert, and their two children of Kalispell, and Keri Farnsworth and her husband, Brad, and their three children of Helena; four brothers and three sisters.

Memorial services will be at 10 a.m. on Saturday in the Johnson Mortuary chapel with the Rev. Carl Deitchman of St. Matthew's Catholic Church officiating.

Henrie 'Nick' Nichol, 87

Henrie "Nick" Nichol, 87, of Kalispell, died Sunday, Aug. 3, 1997, at Immanuel Lutheran Home.

He was born Feb. 19, 1910, in Whitefish to Henrie C. and Kate Nichol, one of six children. He attended school in Kalispell and Whitefish.

On Dec. 16, 1934, he married Marvel Sibley of Kalispell. They moved to Libby, where he was employed for 12 years.

He was a meat cutter and worked in Whitefish, Bonners Ferry, Idaho, Libby and Kalispell. In 1968, he was hired by Flathead County as an appraiser. He retired in 1975.

Surviving are his wife, Marvel; a daughter, Sharon Sparling, and husband, Robert, of Tacoma; a son, Ronald, and wife, Karen, of Kalispell; six grandchildren, Kathy and her husband, Terry Lumsden, of Olalla,



Wash., Jill and her husband, Scott Scherrer, of Coeur d'Alene, Bruce Sparling and his wife, Cindy, of Tacoma, Heidi and her husband, John Berosik, Heather and her husband, Luke Jordt, of Kalispell, and Holly and her husband, Joe Buck, of Hillsboro, Ore.; nine great-grandchildren; two sisters, Ann Howell of Enumclaw, Wash., and Kay and her husband, Otis Bell, of Fresno, Calif.; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, two brothers, Harry of Missoula and Gerhardt of Klamath Falls, Ore., and by an infant sister, Violet.

He was a member of Bethlehem Lutheran Church. Funeral services will be Wednesday at 10 a.m. at the church with the Rev. Rick Nelson officiating. Burial will follow at Glacier Memorial Gardens. Memorials may be made to Bethlehem Lutheran Church or Immanuel Lutheran Home.

Visitation will be today until 6 p.m. at Johnson Mortuary.

Ida Nichols, 91

Ida Nichols, 91, died at Good Samaritan Hospital in Portland, Ore., on Friday, Jan. 10, 1997.

She was born April 3, 1905, in Somers to Lenox and Freda Edge. She received her early education at Swan Lake. Her teacher was Mrs. Frank Bosworth. The Edge family lived "across the bog" on her father's homestead. When she reached high school age, she lived with her grandfather and grandmother in Kalispell. She graduated from Flathead County High School in 1926. In 1927, she attended Normal School at Dillon. She taught school, grades 1 through 8 at Sparks and Salmon Prairie in 1927 and 1928.

She married Alva H. Nichols on Jan. 2, 1928. They had two sons, Donald R. and James H., and a daughter, Phyllis M. After several years of farming in the Creston area, the family moved to Bigfork, where her husband operated the Texaco station. During this period, she was the Bigfork and surrounding area reporter for The Flathead Monitor newspaper and was a telephone operator for the Mountain States Power Co.

She was a charter member of St. Catherine's Catholic Church, St. Catherine's Women's Club, and the American Legion Auxilliary.

Upon her husband's death in 1949, she moved to Oregon where she pur-

sued a career in hospital nursing, retiring from the Portland Veteran's Hospital in 1967. She lived with her sister, Margaret, near Kalispell from 1978 to 1982, then moved back to Portland to live with her son, Don, until her death.

She was preceded in death by her daughter; her husband; her parents; her sister, Mary Jane Behrens; and two brothers, Lester and Donald Edge.

She is survived by her sons, Donald, of Portland, and James and his wife, Nona, of Naches, Wash.; grandson, Clifford, his wife, Patty, and their children, Paul, Lauren and Luke of Toppenish, Wash.; grandson, Timothy, his wife, Laurie, and their daughters, Jordan and Hannah of Brookings, S.D.; sister, Margaret Lauman, of Kalispell; several nieces and nephews; and grandnieces and grandnephews.

Farewell to a very loving and wonderful mother, grandmother and great-grandmother.

Christian wake services will be held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday at Johnson Mortuary Chapel. Mass of the Christian burial will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday at St. Matthew's Catholic Church. Burial will be at Conrad Memorial Cemetery. Local arrangements are by Johnson Mortuary.

Violet Leona Nichols, 88

Violet Leona Nichols, 88, of Bigfork, died at Brendan House on Sunday, Aug. 3, 1997.

She was born March 26, 1909, in Kalispell to Leo and Ida Coverdell.

On July 30, 1930, she married Raymond D. Nichols in Kalispell. He preceded her in death in 1962.

She was also preceded in death by a daughter, Donna Mae Kohout, in 1951 and by two grandchildren.

She lived in the Flathead all her life and enjoyed gardening and home-making.

She is survived by two sons, the Rev. David Nichols and wife, Faye, of

Quilcene, Wash., and Gordon Nichols and wife, Lorna, of Bigfork; two daughters, Laura Anciaux and Mary Naethe, both of Polson; eight grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday at Johnson Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. Ron Pierce officiating. Burial will be at Conrad Memorial Cemetery. Friends may call at the mortuary from 9 a.m. until noon Wednesday.

The family suggests memorials be made to the Arthritis Foundation, 2280 S. Albion St., Denver, Colo., 80222.

Bruce Nielsen, 43

Bruce Edward Nielsen, 43, of Kalispell, passed away Friday, Nov. 28, 1997, at University Hospital in Seattle.

He was born Dec. 14, 1953, in Kalispell, to Stanley H. and Della Jacobson Nielsen. He grew up in Somers. While in grade school he developed a serious kidney disorder that eventually led to renal failure in 1996.

On Feb. 4, 1969, he underwent a successful kidney transplant where both his kidneys were removed and a kidney from his father, Stanley Nielsen, was transplanted to him. He suffered additional medical problems including open heart surgery in 1980. He suffered several heart attacks, strokes and dialysis treatment as part of the eventual consequences of such complications. On Sept. 28, 1997, he underwent his second kidney transplant at University Hospital in Seattle. Due to unforeseen complications after returning home in October, he returned to the hospital but lost his long fight last Friday night.

He enjoyed hunting, fishing, being a mechanic, cooking, photography, building models, and driving around to view the scenery.

He is survived by his parents Stanley and Della Nielsen of Kalispell; son Jason Nielsen of Melrose, Iowa; two brothers, Allen Nielsen and Clifford Nielsen of Kalispell; sister Cynthia Nielsen of Ft Mohave, Ariz.; also nephews, Tyson Wright, Colby Miller; and niece Joliene Nielsen.

He will be remembered as a patient, strong willed person, whose determination and internal strength amazed all who knew the extent of his medical problems. He is missed dearly. The Nielsen family suggests donations or memorials be made to Glacier Dialysis Patient Fund, c/o 310 Sunnyview Lane, Kalispell, MT 59901 to assist families who need to travel for medical reasons.

Memorial services will be held Thursday at 2 p.m. at Johnson Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. J. Torrance Harvey of the Lakeside Chapel officiating. Visitation will be Wednesday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Thursday from 9 a.m. to noon at Johnson Mortuary Chapel. A reception will follow the service at the Somers Volunteer Fire Department in Somers. Cremation and arrangements are by the Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.

Mozelle E. Nolan

A graveside service for former longtime resident of Kalispell, Mozelle E. Nolan, will be held at Conrad Memorial Cemetery Monday at 11 a.m.

She died April 30, 1997, in Escondido, Calif., just two

weeks before her 99th birthday.

Her ashes and those of her son, Michael, who preceded her in death in 1970, will be interred in the family plot together as she requested. Any friends wishing to attend are welcome.

Leslie 'Les' Nordtug, 47

Leslie H. "Les" Nordtug, 47, of Clark, S.D., a longtime railroad employee in Montana, died Friday, Oct. 3, 1997, in Clark of natural causes.

He was born Sept. 22, 1950, at Williston, N.D., the son of Hilbert and Lillian Jensen Nordtug. In the fall of 1961, he moved with his family to Malta. He attended school in Malta, graduating from Malta High School in 1968.

On Sept. 12, 1970, he was united in marriage to Jacqueline "Jackie" Reiner in the Canyon Community Church in Coram.

He began his employment with the railroad in January of 1969. He was employed by the Great Northern and the Burlington Northern railroads from 1969 to Aug. 31, 1992, first as a telegrapher operator and then engineer.

During his employment he and his family lived in Coram prior to moving to Blackfoot. They then moved to Cut Bank, and later to Havre, in 1997, when he entered the engineering program for the Burlington Northern Railroad.

He and his wife and family owned and operated the KOA Campground in Havre from May of 1989, to May of 1991.

They later purchased the Highlander Laundromat and Car Wash in Havre, which they operated until September of 1996, when they moved

to Clark.

He loved fishing in his spare time and found great enjoyment in baby-sitting his granddaughter, Lauryn.

He was baptized in St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Williston, on Nov. 9, 1950.

Among survivors who are grateful for having shared in his life is his wife Jackie, children Les H. Nordtug Jr., Leisha Holly Nordtug Golie and Layne Jeremy, all of Clark; a granddaughter, Lauryn Jacqueline Golie of Clark; mother-in-law Holly Hurlbert Reiner of Clark; stepfather Jerome De Pute of Malta; and five sisters, Cindy Wolfe and husband, Andy, of Newcastle, Wyo., Luella Littlefield and husband, David, of Deer Lodge, Cheryl Tremblay and husband, George, of Malta, Lila Wolfe of Corvallis, and Kristi Kruger of Wolf Point.

Preceding him in death were his parents.

Visitation will be held at the church from noon until time of services. There will be no reviewal. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Clark, with the Rev. Anne M. Hokenstad officiating. Interment will be in Prairie Valley Cemetery in Raymond, S.D.

The Furness Funeral Home of Clark, is handling the arrangements.

Amelia J. Becker Norgaard, 84

Amelia J. Becker Norgaard, 84, a Whitefish area resident, passed away Saturday evening, April 19, 1997, at the Colonial Manor in Whitefish.

She was born May 11, 1912, in Parkston, S.D., to Sebastian and Catherine Luntzer Strohmeier. She moved with her family to the Golva, N.D., area where she raised and educated.

She married Henry Becker in Golva, on June 2, 1930. He preceded her in death. Two children were born to this union, Harry Becker in Gaylord, Mich., and Henrietta Dietz in Sentinel Butte, N.D.

On Jan. 21 1950, she married Clarence Norgaard in Glendive. He preceded her in death. They had one child, Melvin "Mike" Norgaard in Whitefish.

She is survived by 11 grandchildren, one stepgrandchild, 12 great-grandchildren, one step great-grandchild, a sister, Elizabeth Finneman in Golva, N.D. and many nieces,

nephews and friends.

She spent most of her life in the Glendive area and Flathead Valley. She was a member of the Penny Saver Homemaker Club, the Moose Club, and LaSalle Grange.

She enjoyed fishing, hunting, dancing, huckleberry picking, sewing, crocheting, card playing, and her family.

Visitation will be Tuesday from 1-7 p.m. at Austin Funeral Home. A Christian wake service will be Tuesday at 7 p.m. at the funeral home. A mass of the Christian burial will be Wednesday at 10 a.m. at the St. Charles Catholic Church with the Rev. Charles Strom and the Rev. Charles Roman officiating. Burial will follow at Glacier Memorial Garden Cemetery in Kalispell.

The family suggests that memorials can be made to either Whitefish Scout Troop 36 in care of Mike Norgaard, or the memorial of the donor's choice.

Roy Nugent, 82

Roy Edward Nugent, 82, died Thursday, Sept. 11, 1997, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center.

He was born Aug. 19, 1915, in Forsyth, to Edward R. and Anna Moore Nugent.

He was raised and received his education in Forsyth. He married Anna Mary Dzivi Dec. 29, 1941, in Vancouver, Wash.

He was in a mess sergeant in the Army in World War II for four years.

In his younger years he owned and operated a garage in Kalispell. For 31 years his wife and he owned a sheep ranch in the Helena Flats area.

He received many awards in the 30 years he was a 4-H leader.

He was a member of the Risen Christ Church.

His greatest joy was his love for children even though he had only one child of his own.

He cared and loved many children through the years. He touched the hearts of all who met him.

He was preceded in death by his



wife, Anna in 1987.

He is survived by his daughter, Bertha Morrison of Kila; two grandchildren, Bill Morrison and Heidi Rogers, also of Kila; two great grandchildren,

Tyler and Olivia Rogers of Kila; one sister, Lyda Hatlen of Miles City; and numerous cousins, nieces and nephews.

Christian vigil services are at 7:30 p.m. today at Risen Christ Church and the mass of the Christian burial will be at 11 a.m. at Risen Christ Church on Saturday, with the Rev. James A. Connor celebrant.

Burial will follow at C. E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery with military honors by the United Veterans of the Flathead.

Arrangements are by the Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.

Elizabeth Ruth Novak

Elizabeth Ruth Novak, an infant, died Tuesday, Oct. 14, at the Children's Hospital in Denver, Colo.

She was born Sept. 17, 1997, in Kalispell.

She is survived by her parents, Dale and Angela Novak, of Whitefish, and her brother and sisters, Sasha, Justin and Christina. She is

also survived by her grandparents and many aunts, uncles and cousins.

Though her precious life was short, she touched our hearts and will be remembered forever. We will miss you, Elizabeth.

A private service was held Saturday.