

Donald Arthur Nadeau, 77

Donald Arthur Nadeau, 77, died on Sunday, Feb. 21, 2010, at the Veterans Hospital in Salt Lake City.

He is survived by three daughters, Nannette Avery of Kalispell, Dawn

Escoffier of Henderson, Nev., and Michelle Nadeau of Chico, Calif.

Memorial services are pending.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Carol D. Nelson, 71

Carol D. Nelson, 71, of Columbia Falls, passed away peacefully on July 17, 2010, after a long and courageous battle with cancer. Carol was surrounded by friends and family at the time of her passing.

Carol was born on Jan. 13, 1939, to Patria and E.E. "Swede" Hilling, in Sidney. As a child, Carol enjoyed growing up in eastern Montana and western North Dakota, where she was surrounded by her extended family. Carol attended elementary school in Bainville, Mont., and Williston, N.D. She graduated from Williston High School in 1956. During her senior year, Carol was crowned homecoming queen.

After attending a year and a half of college, at North Dakota State University in Fargo, N.D., Carol became engaged to Richard Nelson and they were married in July of 1959 (later divorced). Carol attended the University of Montana, in Missoula, where she graduated with a degree in elementary education in 1973.

Carol was a veteran teacher for the Columbia Falls School District where she taught second grade for 28 years.

She cherished her students and her years in the classroom. As a teacher, Carol was an advocate for children and was focused on teaching the "basics" and creating life long learners.



Carol was an avid reader, scrap booker, seamstress and shopper. She enjoyed traveling, camping, playing games and baking. Carol

was generous to her friends and was an extremely doting grandmother to her grandchild, as well as many surrogate grandchildren. Carol was a longtime member of Our Savior's Lutheran Church and valued the church community and the role it played in helping to raise her daughter.

Carol is survived by her daughter, Lisa (Nelson) Hawthorne, and husband, Jim Hawthorne, and granddaughters, Cristiana and Margrethe Hawthorne, of Edina, Minn.; sister, Patricia LaRoque, and husband, Jerry, of Columbia Falls, and their children, Jennifer, Mark, Aaron and Ryan; best friend, Louann Mohn; and numerous nieces, nephews and friends.

Carol was preceded in death by her parents, and her brother, Davey Hilling.

A service of celebration and memorial will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, July 23, at Our Savior's Lutheran Church.

Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls is assisting the family.

Lucille Marrie (Finley) Nash, 95

Lucille Marrie (Finley) Nash, 95, formerly of Chinook, passed away at her granddaughter's home in Kalispell on Jan. 28, 2010.



Lucille was born on Aug. 26, 1914, in Vancouver, British Columbia. Lucille lived in Chinook all but the first two years of her life. Two years ago she moved to Kalispell to live with her granddaughter and son-in-law, Glenna and Jim Schaible.

Lucille loved to travel and was able to take many trips with them to Portland, Seattle and Denver. She also belonged to the Stump Town Quilt Guild. She went on weekend retreats with the ladies and had a great time. She also belonged to a quilt group called Tuesdays with Bette. She enjoyed this so much as the focus was always on Lucille and the high heel shoes she always wore.

She enjoyed going to and

being a part of the Glacier Wolfpack High School. She loved to go to choir concerts, volleyball games, basketball games, football games, theater productions and just about anything that was happening.

Lucille loved to tell stories about the past and loved being with her grandchildren. When they played sports for Flathead she could be seen cheering them on and supporting all the events they were in.

She had three children. Diana died in 2002 of cancer, and Bill died in 2003 of a heart attack.

She is survived by one daughter, Walline. She also raised two granddaughters, Glenna Hiner Schaible and Pattie Hiner. She has 10 grandchildren, 23 great-grandchildren, and 13 great-great-grandchildren.

"Thank you to Agape Home Health and Hospice."

Edwards Funeral Home of Chinook is caring for the family.

Memorials can be sent to Agape Home Health Care or Hospice.

Dallas J.C. Nelson, 66

Dallas J.C. Nelson died Sunday, Oct. 10, 2010, of a brain hemorrhage at Kalispell Regional Medical Center.



He was born April 1, 1944, in Kalispell and grew up in Whitefish.

A 1964 graduate of Whitefish High School, he served in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam era.

On Nov. 5, 1972, Dallas married the love of his life, Marilyn Patton. Together, they purchased a farm west of Kalispell where they grew hay and raised their children, livestock from dairy cows to pigs to chickens to beef cattle, and many beloved dogs and cats.

Dallas, a trained welder, had many talents including building and operating computers, building violins, fishing, hunting, refurbishing antique cars, rebuilding boats and remodeling his home. He was an expert cook, particularly on his bar-

becue and smoker.

Dallas was the proud ride captain of the Patriot Guard, a motorcycle group that honors veterans by assisting with funerals and locating veterans' unclaimed remains at funeral homes, for burial with military honors.

Dallas is survived by his wife, Marilyn; daughter, Allie, and husband, Kevin, Sturgess; sons, Bill and John; son-in-law, Tim Grant; brother, Jerry, and wife, Sarah; sister, Betty, and husband, Bill Baldwin; eight grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Daughter Sarah Fern, son Dallas Raymond, and daughter Dawn Grant preceded him in death.

Graveside services will be held at 3 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 14, at Glacier Memorial Cemetery, immediately followed by a potluck at the Flathead Valley Cowboy Church on U.S. 93 North.

You are invited to go to www.buffalohillfh.com to leave a personal message or sign Dallas' book.

John Arvid Nelson, 89

John Arvid Nelson passed away Wednesday, May 12, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center, surrounded by his family. John was born Feb. 15,



1921, in Grasston, Minn., to Arvid and Anna Nelson. He spent his childhood in Minnesota and joined the U.S. Navy in 1943, where he was stationed at Bremerton, Wash. There he met Katherine "Kay" Shaw and they were married in 1946.

After serving in the Navy, John worked on a bridge crew and built several bridges in the Northwest. In 1954, John came to the Flathead Valley and helped build the bridge on Montana 82 over the Flathead River. John and Kay fell in love with the Flathead Valley and made their home in Bigfork, where they raised their family.

Most people remembered John when he owned and operated the Bigfork Texaco on Main Street, and everyone knew "you could trust your car to the man who wore the star." In 1973, he sold the Texaco station and went to work for Plum Creek in Columbia Falls until his retirement.

John was a member of the Bigfork Lions Club and a 50-plus-year member of the Masonic Lodge. He was an active member of the Bigfork Volunteer Fire Department, where he was assistant fire chief for many years. He was also a member of Algeria Shriners.

He was preceded in death by his wonderful wife, Kay, in 1990; and sisters, Margaret Adamson and Hazel Gabriel.

In 1993 he met Vera Hewitt

and the two of them shared 17 years together, making a lot of special memories and having a lot of good times together. They were both very fortunate to find love the second time around.

John loved the outdoors and enjoyed hunting, fishing and camping at Glacier and Hungry Horse Reservoir. He had so many special friends; his "potluck group" friends were a very big part of his life. John's greatest love was spending time with his family; and oh, how he loved his children and grandchildren. They made his life complete.

John will be remembered as the beautiful Swede who always had a twinkle in those big blue eyes and who was willing to lend a helping hand to anyone.

His is survived by his wife, Vera; son, Roger, of Kalispell; daughter, Julie McCullough and husband, Bill, of Spokane; Vera's children, Skip and wife, Becky, Roseanne and husband, Frank, and Glenna and husband, Dennis; sister, Vivian Skoglund and husband, Jorice, of Minnesota; grandchildren, Tony Nelson, Shani Nelson, Alison Callender and husband, Derry, John McCullough and wife, Kali, and Jamie McCullough; and four great grandchildren, Cameron, Taylor, Megan and Joshua.

A celebration of John's life will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, May 21, at Bethany Lutheran Church in Bigfork. The family suggests memorial gifts be given to Bigfork Volunteer Fire Department, Shriner's Hospital or a charity of choice.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home is caring for John's family. You are invited to go to www.jgfuneralhome.com to offer condolences and view John's tribute wall.

Keith W. Nelson, 81

Dr. Keith W. Nelson passed away from lymphoma on Friday, Sept. 17, 2010, at the home of his daughter in Kirkland, Wash.



He was born Sept. 25, 1928, at International Falls, Minn. His family moved to Fargo, N.D., in junior high where he enjoyed playing hockey. He moved to Polson for high school, graduating in 1946.

For two years he was a lumberjack at his father's railroad tie mill near Eureka, before attending the University of Montana in Missoula. He then attended dental school at the University of Minnesota and graduated with honors in 1956.

Keith worked summers during college at Old Faithful Inn in Yellowstone National Park where he met a student/waitress, Virginia Jensen, who would become his wife and love of his life. They married Sept. 2, 1956, and moved to Misawa Air Force Base in Japan where he was a captain during the Korean War.

He set up a dental practice in Polson in February 1959. Keeping up with progress in dentistry was his passion. He was a member of the American Dental Association, Montana State Dental Society, past president of the Missoula District Dental Society and belonged to Psi Omega Dental Fraternity. He retired in 1987, yet stayed in touch with his dental colleagues.

Keith loved sailing, golfing, hiking, camping, gardening and downhill skiing with family and friends.

He was predeceased by sons, Warren and Galen; brothers, Craig and Curt; and sister, Lois.

Surviving are wife, Virginia; daughters, Maren and Matt Robertson, and Gaerda and Randy Zeiler; and grandchildren, Bryden, Gavin, Brita and Alex.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. on Oct. 3 at Bellevue First Presbyterian Church. A celebration of Keith's life will take place next summer at their Flathead Lake home, which Keith and his father built in 1963.

Memorials can be made to the Polson High School Dollars for Scholars, or Evergreen Hospice in Kirkland.

Martha 'Maxine' Nelson, 76

Martha "Maxine" Nelson, 76, passed away on Tuesday, Dec. 28, 2010, at her residence in Kalispell.



She was born on Aug. 18, 1934, in Kalispell to Porter Ray Cranmer and Martha Nellie (Mero) Cranmer.

Maxine met and married Royce Nelson in Chillicothe, Mo. They were married Jan. 1, 1956. They enjoyed 34 years together with their family until Royce passed away in 1990. Several years later Maxine then married Ed Dickinson and enjoyed life with him until he passed away in 2002.

Maxine owned and operated a group home for adults with developmental disabilities for over 33 years. She enjoyed camping and fishing, and especially loved the Christmas holidays.

Maxine devoted her life to helping people in many ways and her favorite things in life were spending time with her family and friends.

Maxine was preceded in death by her parents, Porter

and Martha Cranmer; sister, Gladys; granddaughters, Lisa and Amber; husband, Royce Nelson; sons, John, Bob and Jay Nelson; and husband, Ed Dickinson.

Maxine is survived by sons, Rick Nelson and wife, Vinicia, and Jim Nelson and wife, Ivy; daughters, Margaret Newman and boyfriend, Sam Lubbers, and Martha and husband, Steve Shelley; daughters-in-law, Judy Nelson and Doreen Marquez; sister, Sherry Caverly; brother, Jim Cranmer and wife, Vi; brother, Butch Cranmer; several grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins, and many friends that Maxine took into her heart and family.

There will be a visitation for Maxine from noon to 3 p.m. Monday, Jan. 3, at Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home. A funeral will be held at 3 p.m. in the Johnson-Gloschat chapel. A reception will be held at 5 p.m. at the Eagles.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for Maxine's family. You are invited to go to www.jgfuneralhome.com to view Maxine's guest book, offer condolences and share memories.

Marvin Glenn Nelson, 62

Marvin Glenn Nelson, 62, of Rollins, passed away early Saturday morning on Sept. 4, 2010, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center.



Marvin was born April 26, 1948, in Kalispell to Glenn C. and Mamie L. Nelson. A lifelong resident of Rollins, Marvin graduated from Polson High School in 1966 and the University of Montana in 1970 with a degree in forestry. He worked for the U.S. Forest Service in both the Flathead Valley and Northern California.

His love of building drew him to commercial construction work, where he quickly moved from carpenter to superintendent on projects in New Brunswick, Canada, South Carolina, Georgia, and across Montana. A few of his projects in Montana included the community college in Miles City, the U of M library remodel, nursing homes in Circle and Eureka, and schools at Hot Springs, Whitefish and Polson.

Marvin was a member of the Carpenters Union for 20 years, an Eagle Aerie No. 234 member for 35 years, and had served as a fireman, and later chief of the Rollins Volunteer Fire Department.

Marvin's love for animals started at an early age. His animals were his constant companions, and he had many. "Duke" was his dog early in life and more recent-

ly, "Black Dog." "Princess" was his horse for over 35 years, and he had many cats. He often said he never went looking for a pet, he let them find him. Over the years he took in and loved many stray animals, giving them a forever home or a place to stay until one was found.

Marvin loved children and would often take neighbor kids water skiing or horseback riding. He was kind-hearted and would do anything for a friend. He was a "people person" and always had a joke or story to tell. He will be greatly missed.

Marvin was preceded in death by his father in 1961.

He is survived by his mother, Mamie Rogers of Rollins; brother, Loren Nelson of Kalispell; niece, Jen Nelson Anderson and husband, Gabe, and children, Kylie and Kaden of Rollins; niece, Christine Nelson of Kalispell; and a great many dear friends.

Memorial services will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, Sept. 10, at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home, with visitation starting at 9 a.m. Burial will follow at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery, after which a lunch will be served at the Eagles Lodge in Kalispell.

The family requests memorial contributions be made to the Humane Society of Northwest Montana or the Mission Valley Animal Shelter in Polson.

Friends are encouraged to visit our website at www.buffalohillfh.com to leave notes of condolence for the family. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Peter O. Nelson, 74

Peter O. Nelson, 74, died March 16, 2010.

He had retired from Stimson Lumber Co., in 2000.

Pete is survived by his wife, Sandy Heyne Nelson; son, JD Nelson, of Billings; and daughter,

Kasey Reichel, of Libby.

Visitation will be from 4 to 8 p.m. today, March 19, at the Schnackenberg & Nelson Funeral Home in Libby. Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, March 20, at Christ Lutheran Church.

Sue Ann Burnside Nesten, 71

Sue Ann Burnside Nesten, 71, passed away on Monday, June 28, 2010, at Kalispell Regional Medical



Center in Kalispell. She was born on June 1, 1939, to Glen R. and Mable M. (Murphy) Burnside. Sue Ann was born breech and thought to be stillborn; if not for the attending nurse, the first angel who gave her life, a true spitfire would have never been born.

Sue was the fifth of seven children and the "runt" of the litter, as her brother Ray would fondly refer to her. As a young child, the Burnside-Heil families moved to Montana from Walkerton. The Burnside's lived in Olney and Trego, finally settling in Kalispell on Railroad Street.

Sue married the love of her life, Gordon G. Nesten, on Dec. 13, 1958. Gordon and Sue lived in numerous locations in eastern Montana during the early years of their marriage while Gordon completed his apprenticeship to become an electrician. Their daughter, Hope, was born in Culbertson; sons, Billy and Bobby, in Glasgow. After moving back to Kalispell in 1963, Sue and Gordon would be blessed with another son, Rob Ray.

Sue and Gordon, with the help of family and friends, built their home in Evergreen and raised their family there. Their home became the central hub, where family and friends would gather for the holidays and family gatherings. While Gordon was on the road "making money for his honey," Sue was the boss at home. Along with raising kids, she found the time to raise a garden large enough to feed a small village. She also enjoyed raising cows, pigs, chickens and horses. She was little but mighty, moving irrigation pipe and bucking bales.

She loved her children, and adored her grandchildren. She was known as Nannie, Nan, or Gram to them. She was present to welcome each of them into this world.

They were her pride and joy; Travis, Justin, Calen, Kelsey and Shannon.

Sue, Gordon and sons, along with many family and friends, spent many enjoyable hunting seasons in eastern Montana where many fond memories were made.

Sue Ann was preceded in death by, "and has been reunited with," her infant son, Bobby James (1960); her parents, Glen (1958) and Mable (1983); sister, Faye Mee (1990); brother, Rex (1968); Jere "Jake" (2000); and great-nephew, Christopher Schmalz (2006).

Those she leaves behind are her loving husband of 51 years, Gordon; daughter, Hope, and her children, Travis, Justin and Shannon, and her husband Jack, all of Kalispell; her sons, Billy and wife, Kim, of Columbia Falls, Rob and wife, Kelly, and their children, Calen and Kelsey, all of Meridian, Idaho; sisters, Gay Rose of Bend Ore., and Hazel Stefanatz of Kalispell; brothers, Ray Burnside and wife, Marie, of Thompson Falls, Bill Collier and wife, Cherris, of Post Falls, Idaho; an aunt, Jean Burnside of Kalispell; sister-in-law, Nita Wiggins of Spokane; brother-in-law, Frank Harbin of Kalispell; and numerous nieces and nephews, too many to list, whom she loved dearly. Six of her nieces and a granddaughter were named for her.

Because of the blessed hands of her second nurse angel and cousin, Rexanne, and many others, they gave us the precious gift of five more days for which we will be forever grateful. Sue's family would like to thank all the nurses and doctors who cared for mom over the years.

Sue and Gordon are longtime members of the Kalispell Moose Lodge.

Funeral services for Sue will be held at 3 p.m. Friday, July 2, at Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home, with Pastor Tim Bartholomew officiating. Burial will follow services at Glacier Memorial Gardens.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home is caring for Sue's family. You are invited to go to www.jgfuneralhome.com to offer condolences and sign Sue's guest book.

Neidra Marie (Waltz) Newberry, 88

Neidra Marie (Waltz) Newberry was born on Oct. 31, 1921, to Ernest and Mary Waltz, in Arkansas City, Kan. She died on May 27, 2010, at Brendan House, after a short but hard-fought battle with cancer. She grew up helping her dad on Greens Farm in southern Kansas, attending country school, "learning about God's love" at the United Brethren Church and enjoying a large extended family. After graduating from high school, she attended Arkansas City Junior College. Following her father's death, she completed medical technology training in Wichita, Kan. Neidra married H.W.C. "Doc" Newberry in 1946, and they moved to Montana in 1955 with their two children, Mike and Susan. Daughter Sally was born two years later. In addition to her duties as wife and mother, Neidra assisted Doc in his veterinary practice. She also worked part-time at Kalispell General Hospital as a medical technician. In later years, Neidra enjoyed her work in medical offices around the valley.

Neidra loved every aspect of life. She loved her children, but adored her grandchildren, and was thrilled to celebrate the birth of her first great-grandchild. She liked relaxing at Bitterroot Lake, eating watermelon, and sitting around campfires. She valued her friendships with people of many ages and liked to discuss new ideas. She liked playing bridge, golf and racquetball, and was especially proud of the three

gold medals she earned at National Senior Olympics in racquetball. She spent many joyful hours studying the Bible and leading Bible studies. She considered her college degree in Biblical studies, completed in 2001 at the age of 80, to be one of her finest accomplishments. She loved challenging her mind and body, laughing and playing practical jokes. She "loved the Lord and sharing God's love with others." As much as she loved life, Neidra was ready to meet her creator when the time came.

Neidra was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; and one daughter-in-law, Ginny Newberry.

She is survived by her children, Mike Newberry of Nashville, Tenn., Susan Hanson and husband Marlin, and Sally Newberry, all of Kalispell; grandchildren, Brandon Hanson, wife, Jennifer, and children, Gabe and Lilly, of Hobbs, N.M., Hillary Harris and husband, Adam, of Billings, and Whitley and Natalie Newberry of Kalispell.

A memorial service for Neidra is scheduled for 4 p.m. Tuesday, June 1, at Faith Free Lutheran Church, 405 Liberty Street. Memorials may be made to Faith Lutheran Church building project or to a charity of the donor's choice.

Friends are encouraged to visit our website at www.buffalohillfh.com to leave notes of condolences for the family. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Ronald P. Newgard, 60

Ronald P. Newgard, 60, passed away on Tuesday, March 23, 2010, at Northwest Healthcare in Kalispell. He was born May 3, 1949, in Kalispell, to Walfred and Mildred (Koski) Newgard.

Ron lived and worked his entire life in the Flathead Valley, enjoying everything outdoors and in. He graduated from Flathead High School in 1967.

On Jan. 2, 1968, Ron married his high school sweetheart, Susan Huso. Over their 40 years of marriage they took several cruises with their son Brad, Pearl and friends.

Ronnie was an avid skier both on Flathead Lake and Big Mountain. Flipping burgers, and driving his little red Shiner mobile in parades across the state and fundraising efforts were so important to him. He did them with pride and always a smile and a "Thank you."

Ron was the only one on the Search and Rescue who



had to be rescued, but if anyone needed anything it was "Ronnie to the Rescue." Ron was a hard worker and excellent provider.

In May 2003, Ron achieved his goal (with the help of Sid Young), and became the proud owner of his wooden boat, The Cherry Bond.

"Thanks for the 'Joy Ride,' Ron, Full throttle ahead!"

Ron is survived by a son, Bradley Newgard, of Bigfork; his mother, Mildred Newgard, and a brother, B.J. Newgard, both of Kalispell; also his mother-in-law, Pearl S. Huso.

A memorial service for Ron will be held at 3 p.m. on Friday, March 26, at Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Chapel.

The family suggests memorial donations be made to Shriners Hospital for Crippled Children, P.O. Box 2472, Spokane, WA 99210; or Bigfork Q.R.U., 810 Grand Drive, Bigfork, MT 59911. Attn: Cindy Norved.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home is caring for Ron's family. You are invited to go to www.jgfuneralhome.com to offer condolences and view Ron's tribute wall.

Zachery G. Newman, 22

Zachery G. Newman, 22, of Libby, formerly of Kalispell, died Saturday, Feb. 20, 2010, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center.

Survivors include his parents Larry and Joann Newman of Libby.

Services will be at 11

a.m. Friday, Feb. 26, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Libby. Visitation will be from 1 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 24.

Arrangements are by Schnackenberg & Nelson Funeral Home and Crematory.

Kenneth Douglas Newmaster, 74

Kenneth Douglas Newmaster, 74, died May 27, 2010, at his home in Arizona.

He is survived by his wife, Linda; and their sons, Ryan and Jeremy.

A graveside service will be held at 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 8, at the Libby Cemetery. Arrangements are by Schnackenberg & Nelson Funeral Home in Libby.

Robert Andrew Nice, 90

Robert Andrew Nice, 90, of Polson died Monday, May 10, 2010, at the St. Joseph Assisted Living Community in Polson, where he had been a resident.

Memorial services will

be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, May 13, at Bethany Lutheran Church in Bigfork. A full obituary will follow.

Grogan Funeral Home and Crematory, Polson, is assisting with arrangements.

Lucy E. Nichols, 73

Longtime Alaska resident Lucy E. Nichols died suddenly on Thursday, Jan. 7, 2010, at her home in Kasilof, Alaska.

She was 73 years old. The family held a celebration of her life at the J-Bar-B Club on Jan. 11.

Ms. Nichols was born on Nov. 3, 1936, in Pendleton, Ore., to Marjorie and Bruce S. Wert. She lived in many places throughout Montana and Alaska, and spent several years in Kalispell where she and her husband Alfred owned and operated the Tana Motel.

Lucy was a homemaker and enjoyed helping others. She was passionate about the humane treatment of animals and found joy in caring for several of her own. Ms. Nichols gave with an open heart to many individuals less fortunate than herself. She enjoyed gardening in the spring and summer, and



always had beautiful flowers surrounding her home.

Ms. Nichols was preceded in death by her parents; her sister, Margaret Omsberg; stepson, Brent Nichols; grandson, Alfred Willis; stepgrandson, Chad Gorder; step-great-grandson, Collin Gorder; and husbands, Ray Barnes Sr., and Alfred Nichols.

Ms. Nichols is survived by her companion, Charlie Thomas, of Kasilof; ex-husband, Max Harrison, of Washington; daughter, Rose Willis, of Utah; son, Ray Barnes, and daughter-in-law, Lana, of Sterling, Alaska; son, Ron Nichols, of Kasilof; son, Max Harrison, of Montana; stepdaughter, Debi Honer, and son-in-law, Tom, of Soldotna, Alaska; brother, Carl Wert, of Idaho; numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren and many friends.

Memorials may be made in Lucy's name to the Soldotna Animal Shelter.

Arrangements were made by Peninsula Memorial Chapel.

Gerald E. Nikolaus, 70

Gerald E. Nikolaus, 70, of Eureka, died Tuesday June 1, 2010, at St. John's Lutheran Hospital from natural causes.

He was an auto mechanic and owned and operated his own repair shop, Jerry's Auto, for over 35 years.

Survivors include his children, Jerilyn Stright

of Libby, Jana Waller of Kalispell, Merle Nikolaus of Sandpoint, Idaho, and Lisa Stephenson of Eureka.

Services will be 2 p.m. Friday, June 25, at the First Baptist Church in Eureka.

Local arrangements are by Schnackenberg & Nelson Funeral Home in Eureka.

Robert 'Bobby' Noble, 44

Robert Emanuel Noble, 44, passed away in Lewistown on Saturday, Dec. 4, 2010, due to complications of a brain tumor.

He was born in Ronan, Dec. 30, 1965, the son of Bob and Bea Noble. He attended school in Arlee and graduated from high school there.

He married Jackie Moran and later divorced. They had a son, Cole Cash Noble. He had a special stepdaughter, Alyssa Moran.

Bobby was known by many friends in the horse racing industry as both trainer and working the gates. He worked with his dad and brother, Brad, in

the Bob Marshall wilderness as a packer and guide. He was a dedicated father.

He always had a smile on his face and was a friend to many.

Bobby is survived by his son, Cole, 16, of Ronan; parents, Bob and Bea Noble, of Ronan; and brother, Brad Noble, of Ronan. He has many special cousins, among them his closest were Stacy, Chad and Lauriel; as well as numerous aunts and uncles to whom he was very close.

There will be a private family viewing and cremation will take place. A memorial service will take place later in the spring.

Roy A. Nock, 90

Roy A. Nock, 90, of Kalispell "went to be with the Lord" on Sunday, June 27, 2010. Born in Denver on July 22, 1919, to Ben E. and Lulu Nock, Roy was reared and educated in Denver.

He was a member of Berkeley Baptist Church, serving in various offices, and there met his future wife, Betty Jo Smith. After three years of courtship, they were married on May 11, 1941. Roy and Betty were blessed with four children.

Roy joined the U.S. Army in July, 1942. During World War II he served as cadre for basic first aid training at Camp Robinson, Ark. Then following veterinary training at William Beaumont General Hospital in El Paso, Texas, he was assigned as meat and dairy inspector at De Witt General Hospital in Auburn, Calif. Roy received an honorable, medical discharge in April of 1945, at which time he, his wife, and baby daughter, Royann, returned to Denver.

After his discharge from the Army, Roy was employed in a variety of professions. He was a cowboy on ranches in Colorado, Kansas and Wyoming, and a cattle buyer for Armour and Co. This was followed by eight years with The Nock and Garside Elevator Co., a company founded by his grandfather, Thomas Nock, in the 1890s. Roy worked as an apprentice, draftsman, and manager until the business was sold.

Next, Martin Marietta, a defense contractor, was Roy's employer where he spent eight years working on the Titan missile. This job took Roy from the design table to missile silos and the launch pads of this country's ICBM projects of the 1950s and '60s.

In 1964, Roy moved his family to Montana where he worked as a partner in an engineering firm until taking a job with the Anaconda Aluminum Co., as a production engineer. He retired in March of 1981.

Roy's interests in life were multi-faceted. He enjoyed horses and cattle and was a

lifelong cowboy at heart. He was an accomplished artist in various mediums, including photography, sculpture, watercolor and oils. Roy was inquisitive about technology, aviation, and many other disciplines. He was not only a lifelong learner himself, but demonstrated a keen interest in what others were learning in life. He enjoyed exploring the back roads of Colorado and Montana and everywhere he traveled.

Roy was hospitable and enjoyed visiting with friends, neighbors and family. He was a devoted husband, father and grandfather who loved music and had a quick wit.

He loved the Lord Jesus Christ and was an active member of Bethel Baptist Church of Kalispell.

He is survived by his wife of 69 years, Betty Jo, of Kalispell; his children, Royann and Norb Cygan of Castle Rock, Colo., Gary and Dawn Nock of Ephrata, Wash., B. Elaine Nock of Portland, and Carole and Jon Poe of Billings. Roy is also survived by a sister, Bernice Tilson, of Ontario, Ore.; and brother, Glen A. Nock, of Yountville, Calif. Roy is a grandfather to eight, Lacey Arnett, Adria Butler, Kevin Dull, Joel Gardner, Angela Nock, Samantha Nelson, Jenny Sneigoski and Matthew Poe; and 16 great-grandchildren.

Roy was preceded in death by his parents, Ben and Lulu Nock; and a sister, Anita Randall.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, July 2, at Bethel Baptist Church. Gifts for Lake Blaine Bible Camp may be sent to Bethel Baptist Church.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family. To send condolences to the family, please visit the website at www.buffalohillfh.com.

"But God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world is crucified unto me, and I unto the world." - Galatians 6:14 (KJV)

Raymond B. Nockleby, 94

Raymond B. Nockleby, 94, a resident of the Kalispell area for more than 50 years, died Saturday, Feb. 13, 2010, at Immanuel Lutheran Home.



Born May 5, 1915, in Russell, N.D., to Renhard Nockleby and Lydia Schultz Nockleby, Ray spent the early years of his life helping his mother cope with his father Renhard's illness and eventual death from tuberculosis, which his father had contracted in the wake of the great flu outbreak of 1918-19.

The family eventually relocated to Fergus Falls, Minn., where Ray graduated from high school, and where his stepfather, Otto Nockleby, operated the family farm.

Ray attended a technical institute in Chicago and worked in the defense industry during World War II in Minneapolis, where he first met and later married the love of his life, Evelyn Bjorge, who was then working at the Lutheran Church headquarters.

Ray and Evelyn married on June 30, 1945, in Circle and began a partnership with Evelyn's parents on the family farm 20 miles north of Circle.

In 1948, Ray and Evelyn moved their young family to suburban Portland, where Ray took a job as a draftsman with the Bingham Pump Company.

In 1959, having been impressed with the beauty of the Flathead and wanting to rear their five young boys on a family-owned farm, Ray and Evelyn moved to the Helena Flats area and operated a family farm for many years.

Ray was elected to the school board of Helena Flats in the early 1960s, and was re-elected an additional term, and served as chairman of the school board during a period in which the school doubled in size.

A lifelong Lutheran, Ray served on the church council and building committee of

Calvary Lutheran Church in Evergreen during a major expansion begun under Pastor Rodney Kvanme in 1966. Ray was also a lifelong supporter of the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association, which had touched his life in Minneapolis and Portland days.

Ray was a quiet but thoughtful inventor of mechanical products. He developed several hand and garden tools, and holds four patents. His drawings are precise and his tools are ingenious.

In their retirement years beginning in 1982, trips to Arizona and travels throughout the U.S. to visit their sons and their families was a source of joy and fulfillment for both Ray and Evelyn.

Ray was preceded in death by his father, in 1923; his mother, in 1962; as well as his two younger sisters, Nellie and Aldine.

Ray is survived by his wife of nearly 65 years, Evelyn, and by his five sons, Brian, an insurance lawyer in Silver Spring, Md., and his wife Belinda; Robert, an area representative for Thrivent Financial for Lutherans, in Lakeside, and his wife Kathy; Donald, a neuropsychologist in Austin, Texas, and Phoenix, and his wife Jo Ann; Paul, an editor and publisher in St. Paul, Minn., and his wife Kathleen; and John, a professor of law at Loyola Law School in Los Angeles, and his wife Lucie; and by nine grandchildren.

A service for Raymond will be held at 2 p.m. today, Feb. 16, at Northridge Lutheran Church in Kalispell, with reception following at Buffalo Hill Terrace.

Memorials to Raymond B. Nockleby may be directed to The Chapel Fund, Buffalo Hill Terrace, 40 Claremont Street, Kalispell MT 59901; or to The Campership Fund, Flathead Lutheran Bible Camp, 603 Main Street, Kalispell, MT 59901.

To send condolences please go to the Web site, www.buffalohillfh.com. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Janice M. Norby, 56

Janice M. Norby, 56, died Thursday, May 6, 2010, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center. Janice was born in Billings to John and Helen (Quinn) Mulloy on Oct. 17, 1953. She was raised in Billings and attended school there, graduating from Billings High School. During her childhood, she vacationed often in the Whitefish area, which she greatly enjoyed.

She resided in Flagstaff, Ariz. for 18 years, where she raised her two sons before returning to Montana in 2003, and resided in the Flathead Valley until the time of her death. Janice greatly



enjoyed her family and spending time with them; she also enjoyed traveling and camping, as well as doing handcrafts, most especially sewing and quilting. In her quiet times, she also liked playing cards and word games as well.

Preceding her in death were her parents; a brother, Jack; and sister, Pamela Ann.

Janice is survived by her husband, Shane, of Kalispell; her sons, Ryan Schmaing of Flagstaff, Ariz., and Jared Luke of Phoenix; her aunt, Marguerite "Peg" Beyersdorf, of Spokane; and three grandsons.

Services will be Monday at 2 p.m. at the Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish, with Pastor Dick Bishop officiating. Visitation will be Monday from 9 a.m. until service time, at the funeral home.

Earl Milton 'Buckie' Norris, 84

Services for Earl Milton "Buckie" Norris, 84, will be at 11 a.m., Friday, April 16, at the Bible Baptist Church, U.S. 2 north of Reserve Drive, Kalispell, with the Rev. Nathan Bemis officiating. Burial will be at 10 a.m. Friday, April 16, at Fairview Cemetery. Visitation will be from 2-6 p.m. today at Johnson-Gloschat funeral home.

Earl Milton 'Buckie' Norris, 84

Earl Milton "Buckie" Norris, 84, passed away on Sunday, April 11, 2010, at the Montana Veterans Home in Columbia Falls. He was born at Lake Five in June of 1925 to Royal A. Norris and Effie M. Halberg. He was raised and schooled in Belton, until the family was displaced by the 1929 fire and moved to Kalispell.

Earl loved the Lake Five area and returned as often as possible to fish the Middle Fork River, hunt the area and trap for extra income for his family.

Buckie entered the U.S. Navy in 1942 and was assigned to the USN Frigate Idaho and then later the USS Block Island, which was destroyed in the South Pacific. He then transferred to the Ticonderoga which later was hit by three torpedoes and kamikazes. He was awarded one Bronze Star and three Silver Stars.

After serving his country from 1942 to 1945 Buckie returned to the Flathead Valley and worked in the logging industry for a period of time. He then started working for Glen King as a meat cutter at King's Market on Main Street. In 1947 Buckie worked for Don Peterson and Jesse Eayrs at the original Meats Supply on Second Street West in Kalispell. Later on, he joined Don Rasmussen and started the eastside Superette on 10th Street and Fourth Avenue East. Upon selling the Superette he went to work for F.H. Stoltze as a plainer set-up foreman. Due to a mill accident he left there and went to Evergreen School District and later with Jesse Eayrs at Meats Supply at 601



Washington.

Buckie was married to Betty L. Bosley for over 33 years. She currently resides in Portland. He later met and married Gloria Garvin and then moved to Tampa, Fla., to enjoy retirement.

After Gloria's death he moved back to Kalispell in March of 2006 where he lived with his son until March of 2009, when he moved to the veterans hospital in Columbia Falls, where he died April 11, 2010.

Buckie was active in the Evergreen Lions Club, Moose Lodge in Kalispell and Tampa, and Boy Scouts Troop 48 in Evergreen (in his earlier years here).

Buckie was preceded in death by his parents, Royal and Effie Norris; infant daughter, Danna; brothers, Clifford, who died in the Korean War, William and Harold; sisters, Mildred and Dorothy Birky; wife, Gloria; and special friend, Lee Taylor.

He is survived by his sister, Verna Landon; and brothers, Ray Norris of Kalispell and Albert Norris of Colorado; daughters, Linda Corrigan of Portland, Janice Vachal and husband, Dan, of Somers, and Jeri Truckner and husband, Dave, of North Dakota; and son, William Norris, and wife, Sandy, of Kalispell. He also has 11 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Buckie will be buried at 10 a.m. on Friday, April 16, at Fairview Cemetery. Funeral services will follow at 11 a.m. in Kalispell at the Bible Baptist Church on Highway 2 north of Reserve Drive with Pastor Nathan Bemis officiating.

Johnson-Gloschat funeral home is caring for Buckie's family. You are invited to go to www.jgfuneralhome.com to offer condolences and view Buckie's tribute wall.

Florence North, 91

Florence North passed away on New Year's Eve, Jan. 31, 2009, at St. Peter's Hospital in Helena. She was born on May 13, 1918, near Arlington, Ohio, the second child of Roy and Ada Riegle.

She graduated from Arlington High School, where she was a four-year letterman in basketball. She was also the shortstop on the town girls' softball team.

Following graduation, she went into nurse training at Robinwood Hospital in Toledo, Ohio. She graduated as a registered nurse in 1940 and began working at the hospital in Findlay, Ohio.

On Jan. 20, 1944, she married Fred North and they resided in Orlando, Fla. She worked in the hospital there and Fred was stationed at the Kissimmee Army Airfield, where he served as a P-47 mechanic. Fred was transferred to San Antonio, Texas, and Florence worked in the hospital there.

Following the war, they moved to Bigfork, where she and Fred operated the North family farm, which now is the Lake Hills Addition, the Lake Hills Shopping Center, and Peaceful Acres.

In May of 1948, they adopted their son, John, from Shodair Children's Hospital. Fred and Florence sold the farm in 1961, and Florence opened the North Star Gift Shop north of Bigfork.

Florence was active in the Bigfork Community Methodist Church, where she served as superintendent of the Sunday school, the Bigfork PTA,

and the Lakeview Rebekah Lodge.

In 1966, she and Fred purchased a small farm south of Columbia Falls, which they operated for two years. Upon John's graduation from Bigfork High School in 1966, Florence returned to nursing, working first in the Lutheran home in Kalispell, and then as the director of nursing at the Bigfork Convalescent Center.

In 1968, she and Fred returned to Bigfork, where they built a house on the former family farm, overlooking the farmhouse that Fred's father built in 1892, and on a lot on which Fred's grandfather, John North, was buried.

Florence retired in about 1978 because of a hernia that kept her from assisting residents. Fred passed away in 1998 and, in 2001, Florence moved to Helena, where she resided first at the Waterford and then at the Rocky Mountain Care Center.

She was preceded in death by her father and mother; her husband; a sister, Ruth; and nieces, Elaine and Diane.

She is survived by her sister, Marna Hartman, of Arlington; nieces, Marlene Garber of Pinkerington, Ohio, and Karen Hartman of Delphos, Ohio; nephews, Dan Doll of Sidney, Ohio, and Bob and Bill Hartman, of Arlington; and her son and daughter-in-law, John and Dawn North, of Helena. She also leaves behind her grand-dog, Alder.

A memorial service will be scheduled at a later date.

Romona Lois Norton, 79

Romona "Rae" Lois Norton, 79, of Kalispell, passed away Jan. 13, 2010, at Colonial Manor, with her loving family by her side. Rae, the daughter of Anton and Grace Mae (Brown) Bartel, was born near the Theriault Ferry (which her father ran) in Lower Valley on Aug. 14, 1930. As a young child she lived in the Creston area and at various locations in the Flathead Valley her entire life.



She married her first husband, Charley Williams (a cowboy and loving father), and from this union she had three daughters and two sons that the two raised in the Borman area. Romona worked very hard in those days taking care of her family and any sick animal that needed her care. They were later divorced and she moved to Kalispell with her children.

She married for a second time to George Norton and from this union she had a daughter and two sons. Romona taught Bible class at the Church of the Nazarene. Children were always an important part of her life and it was during this time that she helped establish the Head Start Program.

In later years, when George's health failed, she went to work as a CNA at the Immanuel Lutheran Home and continued to work until her health started to fail.

Romona loved being outdoors and always had a garden; her children have many memories of helping their mother with the vegetables and flowers. She also loved being in the country, camping, walking among the trees, the smell of wood, the wildflowers, the birds, and the wildlife she would see. She was a daredevil and free spirited — "baa haa-ing" through the forest. Rae liked going to Glacier National Park and the National Bison Range. Rae was a rock collector, filling her pockets with memories to add to her rose and carnation gardens.

She is survived by her eight children, Audrey Flansaas, Geraldine Smith, Douglas and Wayne Williams, Sharon Jordt, Donna Bear, and Harvey and Russell Norton, all of the Kalispell area. She is also survived by 23 grandchildren; 37 great-grandchildren; four great-great-grandchildren; two sisters, Roberta Shelley and Rodessa Norton; one brother, David Bartel; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, George; two daughters-in-law; two sons-in-law; three grandsons; and three brothers.

Romona was laid to rest on Jan. 16, at Glacier Memorial Gardens beside her loving husband George.

"Although Mom has taken up new residence in the Lord's house, she will live forever in our hearts."

Online memorials can be placed by visiting <http://www.jgfuneralhome.com/obituaries>.

Russell Scott 'Russ' Norton, 43

Russell Scott "Russ" Norton, 43, passed away on Thursday, April 22, 2010, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center in



Kalispell, with his loving family at his bedside. He was born on May 25, 1966, in Kalispell, the son of George and Romona (Bartel) Norton. Russell attended Flathead High School and received his diploma in 1984.

He served for a brief period of time in the U.S. Army at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., and returned to civilian life in Kalispell. Russ worked on Christmas tree farms for a number of years and later had his own business, Norton Contractors.

He was affectionately called "Fluffy" during his childhood and the name stuck with him into his early adult life. Russ spent many fun-filled hours with his brother, sisters, nieces and nephews, enjoying the care-free days of childhood. He also enjoyed swimming with his friends in the Stillwater River on hot summer days and ice skating on the pond in the winter. Russell loved family picnics out in the

country, swimming, hunting, fishing, camping and sitting around the campfire visiting.

He will be greatly missed by his family and all those who knew and loved him.

He was preceded in death by his parents; three nephews; and his best friends, Steve Adkins and Daren Corrigeaux.

He is survived by his brothers, Douglas Williams and wife Bobbi, Wayne Williams and wife Emily, and Harvey Norton; his sisters, Audrey Flansaas and husband Dean, Geraldine Smith, Sharon Jordt and husband Kevin, and Donna Bear and husband Mike. He is also survived by his very special nieces and nephews, and numerous cousins, aunts, uncles and friends.

Graveside services for Russ will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, May 1, at Glacier Memorial Gardens with Pastor Tim Bartholomew of Stillwater Lutheran Church officiating. An old-fashioned potluck reception will follow at 12:30 p.m. at the Hampton Inn, 1140 U.S. 2 West. All are welcome to attend.

Johnson-Gloschat Funeral Home is caring for Russ' family. You are invited to go to www.jgfuneralhome.com to offer condolences and view Russ' tribute wall.

James 'Jim' Barry Nygaard, 59

James "Jim" Barry Nygaard "was called home to be with the Lord" at sunset on Christmas Day, Dec. 25, 2010, at his daughter's home in Kalispell.



Jim was born Oct. 28, 1951, to Henry and Elsie Nygaard in Kenmare, N.D. When he was young, his family moved to Pablo where he attended school in Pablo and Ronan. From there, he served in the U.S. Army at White Sands, N.M.

He worked at Ronan Sports and Western for many years and was one of the best shoe salesmen around.

Jim had a kind, loving and generous nature, enjoyed recounting stories, and possessed his sense of humor all the way to the end.

He enjoyed the outdoors, especially hunting and fishing, and he had a fascination for weather and kept weath-

er logs for many years. Family was especially important to Jim, and his granddaughter Emma brought him great joy.

He is survived by his daughter, Tarah Hosking, her husband Brendan, and granddaughter Emma, of Kalispell; mother, Elsie Nygaard, of Trout Creek; sister Dyan and Bruce Lawrence of Missoula, and sister Myrna and Gordon Roesler of Nevada, brother, Richard, and Twila Nygaard, of Trout Creek; sister-in-law, Virginia Nygaard, of Ronan; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by father, Henry Nygaard; and brother, Jerry Nygaard.

A funeral service will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 30, at the Mount Calvary Lutheran Church in Polson with the Rev. Kyle Whaley officiating. Reception to follow.

Messages of condolence may be sent to the family online at www.groganfuneralhome.com. The staff of Grogan Funeral Home, Polson, considers it a privilege to care for Mr. Nygaard's family.