



Obituary

Born: Thursday, September 3, 1931

Died: Monday, February 17, 2020

Eugene Gustav Nelson, age 88, a longtime resident of Choteau, died February 17, 2020. Gene was born in Choteau on September 3, 1931, to Gustav and Ida (Burke) Nelson. He grew up in Agawam and graduated from Choteau High School. On October 17, 1953, he married Mable Solberg and together they raised three children.

Gene worked for Max Hansen at Superior Dairy and later Meadow Gold Dairies, when they purchased Superior Dairy in 1965, for more than 35 years. He loved his work and getting to know his co-workers and customers who also became his friends.

His favorite pastimes included fishing, boating, camping, hunting, visiting craft breweries with his sons, and watching sports – especially his beloved Raiders, Dodgers, and Montana State Bobcats. He treasured the many summer vacations spent at the family’s favorite spot – Swan Lake. He also enjoyed the years of motorhome trips he took throughout the US and Mexico with his companion, Rocky Anstey.

He is survived by his children, Russell (Susan) Nelson of Belgrade, Montana; Kurt (Gail) Nelson of Boynton Beach, Florida; and Lisa Banka of Choteau, Montana; his grandchildren, Becca (Matt) Valen, Stephanie (Miguel Razo) Nelson, Christopher Banka, Skylar Banka, and Nico Nelson; great-grandchildren, Brandtly, Alaina and Olivia ; sister Eleanor Chevalier; brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Ben and Irene Askelson; sisters-in-law, Marilyn and Betty Solberg ; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Mable Nelson; and his companion, Rocky Anstey.

Special thanks for the wonderful care Gene received at Benefis Teton Medical Center and especially from his daughter, Lisa, and grandson, Christopher.

Cremation has taken place and a memorial service will be held at 2:00 pm on Saturday, February 29, 2020, at Trinity Lutheran Church, Choteau, Montana. Gorder-Jensen Funeral Home of Choteau has been entrusted with the arrangements. Cremation has taken place. Memorials may be made in Gene’s name to Trinity Lutheran, PO Box 110, Choteau, MT 59422.

www.gorderjensenfuneralhome.com

Service Summary

Celebration of Life

2:00 PM Sat Feb 29, 2020

Trinity Lutheran Church

38 First Ave. SW
Choteau, Montana 59422

Graveside Service

3:00 PM Sat Feb 29, 2020

Choteau Cemetery

East of Choteau on Highway 221
Choteau, Montana 59422

Reception

3:30 PM Sat Feb 29, 2020

Trinity Lutheran Church

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