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The Journal publishes paid obituaries in Wednesday and Saturday editions and on its Web site at www.ifallsjournal.com.

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Obituaries can be faxed to the Journal at 285-7206; e-mailed to tammiec@ifallsjournal.com; or mailed to The Journal at 1602 Highway 71, International Falls, MN 56649.

We encourage electronic delivery of obituaries and any accompanying photos.

If desired, The Journal will e-mail or fax a proof of the obituary to the funeral home handling the service.

For more information, call Tammie Calder at 285-7411.

Edwin Jerome Nordstrand, 78

Edwin Jerome Nordstrand, 78, of International Falls, Minn., passed away Friday, Aug. 23, 2013, at his home.

Edwin was born Aug. 1, 1935, in Bigfork, Minn.

He grew up in International Falls, and attended school at Faribault, Minn.

He worked part-time at the courthouse, and worked for his father, John Nordstrand, making cabinets.

He loved watching sports on TV, and going to football games. In his younger years he enjoyed playing badminton, and football, and loved traveling.

Edwin was very involved with the deaf community, and wanted to learn everything he could. He loved to sign about the old days, the trains he rode on, helping his dad with his carpentry business, and everything he saw on television.

Edwin was friendly to everyone, and was a great person.

He was preceded in death by his parents, John and Helen (Thydean) Nordstrand;



brothers, Leslie, Kenneth and Robert Nordstrand; and sisters, Rose Miller, Grace Swanson and Beverly Tivey.

Edwin is survived by his two sisters, Gladys Kjelaas of Stockton, Calif., and Lorraine Bruce of International Falls; many nieces and nephews; and special friends, Roxanne Skogstad-Ditsch and Joyce Grover.

Memorial services will be conducted at 10 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 29, at Green-Larsen Mortuary.

Condolences may be left at www.greenlarsen.com.

Arrangements are with Green-Larsen Mortuary Inc., International Falls.

Kay (Bergstedt) Cirspinski, 63

Please join us to celebrate the life of Kay (Bergstedt) Cirspinski at a gathering of family and friends at 11 a.m. Friday, Aug. 30, 2013, at Zion Lutheran Church, 530 Sixth St., International Falls.

Memorial service followed by lunch.

Kay passed away peacefully Wednesday, Aug. 21, following a battle with lung disease.



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James Edward Vohler, 86

James Edward Vohler, age 86, of Warba, Minn., died Friday, Aug. 23, 2013, at Evergreen Terrace.

Jim was born in 1926 to Joe and Ann Vohler in International Falls, Minn., where he grew up and graduated from Falls High School.

He served in the United States Army during the Korean Conflict. After his return from the service, Jim was employed as a truck driver for Boise Cascade and a concrete company in International Falls.

Following his marriage to Marjorie Seeley in June 1998, he moved to Warba,

Minn.

He was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and American Legion in Grand Rapids, Minn., and St. Paul's Catholic Church in Warba.

Preceding him in death were his parents; a son, Jeffrey Vohler; and a brother, Jerry Vohler.

Jim is survived by his wife, Marjorie; two daughters, Joanne Hopper of Townsend, Mont., and Terese (Daryl) Van-Liew of Spokane, Wash.; one son, Jerry Vohler of International Falls, Minn.; two sisters, Joyce Wilson of Eveleth, Minn., and Mari-

lyn Phillips of International Falls, Minn.; one brother, Dennis (Carol) Vohler of International Falls, Minn.; 12 grandchildren; numerous step-children; and many nieces and nephews.

Visitation was from 1 until the 2 p.m. funeral service Tuesday, Aug. 27, at Rowe Funeral Home, Grand Rapids, Minn.

The Rev. Fr. Jerry Weiss officiated.

Burial with full military honors was at Warba-Feeley Cemetery.

The family wishes to thank the staff at Evergreen Terrace for the wonderful care given to Jim.



Arrangements were by Rowe Funeral Home and Crematory.

To sign the online guest book or send condolences visit www.rowefuneralhomeandcrematory.com.

Dorothy Elaine Krause, 86

Dorothy Elaine Krause, 86, of International Falls, Minn., passed away Thursday, Aug. 22, 2013, at Rainy Lake Medical Center.

Dorothy was born Feb. 25, 1927, in Eveleth, Minn.

She lived most of her life in Littlefork, Minn.

She married Vernon V. Krause on June 2, 1949.

She was a farm girl who loved horses, square dancing with her husband, and country music.

Dorothy enjoyed Sunday afternoons with family and friends listening to Pat Porter's music at the

Border Bar.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Walter and Hilda Brinkman; husband, Vernon V. Krause; son, Vernon Joseph; one grandson, Melvin James; three great-granddaughters; and sister, Gene Lee.

Dorothy is survived by son, Victor Krause of International Falls, Minn.; daughters, Elaine Krause of Dilworth, Minn., Bobbi Carnahan-Brenna of Springfield, Mo., Sandra Bess of Brainerd, Minn., and Beverly Anderson

of International Falls, Minn.; 21 grandchildren, 39 great-grandchildren; three great-great grandchildren; brother, Walter Brinkman of Virginia; and sisters, Hilda Burmeister of Littlefork, Minn., and Shirley Thompson of Fridley, Minn.

A memorial service will be conducted at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 28, at Green-Larsen Mortuary.

Interment will be at the Veterans of Foreign Wars section of Forest Hill Cemetery.

Condolences may be left



at www.greenlarsen.com.

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James Willmar Miketey, 75

James Willmar Miketey, "Mickey" or "Jim", passed away from us Tuesday, Aug. 20, 2013. He had just celebrated his 75th birthday July 2. Born and raised in the Ice Box of the Nation (International Falls, Minn.), Jim may have had cold hands but he always had a warm heart. He was a very strong man both in faith and in character.

With only a GED, Jim went on to proudly serve his country as a pilot in the Air Force from 1957 to 1961 (four years). He was part of the Strategic Air Command in the Korean War where he flew a KC97 (refueler) and a B29 (bomber). After his service, Jim joined both the Veterans of Foreign Wars

and the American Legion. As an honor, Jim will be laid to rest at the Tahoma National Cemetery in Kent, Wash.

Jim was the person everybody in town went to if they needed something repaired. He loved to take things apart and could fix anything from a doorbell to a car to a snow blower. He loved to "tinker" and quite often you would hear his bass voice drifting out of the garage as he was completing a project.

Jim and his wife, Phyllis, were just a few months shy of celebrating their 48th wedding anniversary. Family was very important to Jim and they were successful in raising two

daughters, Janice Freeman and Jennifer Bahr. Jim also insisted on calling David Bahr, Jennifer's husband, his son. (Son-in-law was never an option.) Jim was very proud of all his grandchildren — Daniel (Little Mickey), Alia, Jessica, Bethanie (Cheetah-Monkey), and Christopher. Jim's siblings are Margaret Scheirer, Eileen Bishop and Larry Miketey.

Jim was preceded in death by both his mother and father, Anna Eluke and Pete Miketey, along with his brother, Peter Alexander Miketey.

Jim passed away from us quickly as a result of his ongoing battle with chronic heart failure and



pulmonary fibrosis. His loving, giving spirit will be greatly missed by everyone he touched.

A memorial service was conducted at 2:30 p.m. Monday, Aug. 26, at the Puyallup Church of the Nazarene, 1026 Seventh Ave. SW, Puyallup, WA, 98371, 253-845-7508.

Jerome 'Jerry' Robert Arel

Jerome "Jerry" Robert Arel was born May 12, 1939, in Crookston, Minn.

He grew up in Grand Forks, N.D., and attended St. Michael's and St. James schools, graduating in 1958.

He then entered radiological technology school at St. Alexius Hospital in Bismarck, N.D., and graduated in 1960 as a registered radiological technologist.

He was chief instructor at St. Alexius and also chief technologist at Missouri Valley Clinic until 1970 when he moved to Littlefork, Minn., and was employed as chief technician at the municipal hospital there.

In 1987, he moved to Park

River, N.D., and was the radiology director until 2001.

While in Littlefork, Jerry was president of the Commercial Club and Civic Improvement Club, Director of the Fair Board, ambulance attendant and driver, sergeant of the police department, co-founder and captain of the rescue squad and radio communication director at the hospital.

Jerry was also a member of the National Guard and the inactive reserves.

Surviving is his daughter, Jill (John Roche); granddaughters, Jessica (Ryan) Lucca and Krysten; brother, Jean (Sheila) Arel, Fargo, N.D.; sisters, Mar-

garet Kendall, Minot, N.D., and Yvonne Kreis, Glen Ellyn, Ill.; sister-in-law, Judy Arel, Grand Forks, N.D.; nieces, nephews, great-grandson, Jake Lucca, and great-nieces and nephews; and best friend and neighbor, Greg Kachena.

Jerry was preceded in death by his mother, Millie Arel and father, Lawrence Arel; brother, Dale; and brothers-in-law, Ed and Bob.

Arrangements were with Tollefson Funeral Home, Park, River, N.D.

A memorial service was conducted at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 27, at the funeral home.

Burial will take place a



later date at the Veterans Cemetery in Mandan, N.D.

Jerry was best known for his photography and love of people. He did his best for all who asked and attempted each and every task. He made a difference.

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Ernestine C. Imhof, 92

Ernestine C. Imhof, 92, passed away peacefully Sunday, Aug. 25, 2013, at her home at the Ranier Roost.

A complete obituary will be announced when arrange-

ments have been completed.

Condolences may be left at www.greenlarsen.com.

Green-Larsen Mortuary Inc., International Falls, is in charge of arrangements.