

Obituaries

Marvin Lester Jarmin



July 15, 1933-Apr. 17, 2026
Marvin Lester Jarmin, a pillar of the Skagit Valley agricultural community and devoted family man, went to be with his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ on April 17th, 2026, surrounded by family and friends.

Livestock Judging Competition in which the Victory Producers won. These early experiences instilled a passion for animal husbandry that would carry forward for the remainder of his life.

Marv graduated from Stanley High School, ND in 1952. After high school, he worked for a year on an oil drilling crew in Tioga, ND and stayed on the farm helping his mom and dad. In 1953, he joined the Army at the end of the Korean War.

In 1963, in Fargo, ND he met Miriam Virginia Johnson from St. Paul, MN on a blind date and romance blossomed. During their courtship, Marv took Miriam's Christian faith seriously and began

to look at his own belief in God. At 31 years old, he made a transforming life decision to become a follower of Jesus Christ.

In 1968, he was hired by Washington State University as an Associate Professor of Horticulture and moved his young family to Mt. Vernon, WA and the beautiful Skagit Valley.

For many years, Marv and his wife Miriam and their three children, Marilee, Michelle, and Matthew made their home in west Mount Vernon. Together, they developed their land into a raspberry farm eventually transforming the land into an apple orchard until retiring.

The interests Marv had passion for he dedicated his time to. He was a 4-H leader and for many years in the 1970's and 80's helped the youth of the Westside Wonders 4-H Club show and judge beef, swine and sheep at fairs and livestock shows.

making things green. In 2003, he propagated and patented a disease resistant, non-fruit bearing, columnar flowering crab apple tree that continues to be sold in plant nurseries around the US.

His unwavering faith and love for God's Word helped guide Marv day-by-day for the remaining 60 years of his life.

Marvin is survived by his beloved wife, Miriam Jarmin; his children, Marilee (Mark) Critelli, Marshfield, WI, Michelle (John) Frey, Mt. Vernon, WA, Matthew (Anne) Jarmin, Wenatchee, WA; sister, Ann (Doug) Colvert, Monroe, WA; niece, Julie (Gordy) Companion; ten grandchildren, Mikala (Critelli) Wolff, Emily (Critelli) Melton, Ava (Critelli) Breu, Claire Critelli, Payton and Emma Frey, Annika, Kirsten, Linnea, Hanna Jarmin; and two great-grandchildren, McKinley Melton and Berkley Breu.

Memorials may be made in Marvin's name to Pregnancy Care Center Skagit Valley, Bethany Covenant Church or Calvary Chapel both of Mt. Vernon.

(Kern Funeral Home, Mount Vernon, WA)

Darlene Joanne Thompson



July 25, 1945-May 15, 2026

Darlene J. Thompson, 80, of Fort Shaw, MT, peacefully entered into the presence of her Lord and Savior on May 15, 2026.

Darlene Joanne Nelson was born to AnnaBelle and John J. Nelson on July 25, 1945. The second of six children, she grew up surrounded by a loving, hardworking family.

After graduating from Stanley High School, she took a job in town, where she met the man God had chosen to be her lifelong companion.

On August 17, 1962, she married the love of her life, Rod Thompson. Together they built a beautiful life and raised their two children, Jeff and Cindy, on a farm outside of Williston.

on a grand adventure, crossing the country from Texas to Alaska in an RV. Darlene enjoyed mapping out the route, always looking for fun things to do or see along the way.

In 2002, Rod and Darlene moved to the Fairfield area to be near their son and his family. In 2022, following the passing of her beloved husband in 2019, she moved to assisted living in Great Falls.

A devout Christian, Darlene will be remembered as an amazing wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, and friend whose life was marked by faith, love, hard work, and kindness.

Darlene was preceded in death by her devoted husband, Rodney Thompson; and her parents, Anna-Belle and John J. Nelson.

She is survived by her son, Jeff (Susan) Thompson; daughter, Cindy (Bryan) Golie; grandchildren, Jacob and Brydger Golie, Bailey Jo (Silas) Clark, and Tyrell (Kadi) Thompson; great-grandchild, Stetson; sisters, Linda (Jerry) Lumley, Bev Kulczyk, and Marlene Westby; brothers, Wayne Nelson and Warren (Carol) Nelson; and many beloved nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be held on Monday, June 8, at 11:00 a.m. at Fort Shaw Bible Church, 180 Ahern St, Fort Shaw, Montana.

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Mountrail County Auditor

NOTICE OF PRIMARY ELECTION

Notice is hereby given that on Tuesday, the 9th day of June, 2026, at the voting centers in the various listed precincts in the County of Mountrail, an election will be held for the election of federal, state, district, county and city officer(s), and state-wide measure(s) and applicable local measure(s), which election will be opened at 8:00 a.m., and will continue open until 7:00 p.m. of that day.

Dated this 19th day of May, 2026.

Stephanie A. Pappa
Mountrail County Auditor

PRECINCTS

- *STANLEY CITY
*NEW TOWN CITY
*NORTHERN NEW TOWN CITY
*PARSHALL CITY
*PALERMO CITY
*WHITE EARTH CITY
*PLAZA CITY
*TOWNSHIPS OF SIDONIA, CROWFOOT, LOWLAND, CLEARWATER, REDMOND, STAVE, PALERMO, MCGAHAN, EGAN, DEBING, ALGER, PURCELL, BURKE, MCALMOND, KICKAPOO, RAT LAKE, BROOKBANK, SIKES, AUSTIN, OAKLAND, OSLOE, KNIFE RIVER, CRANE CREEK, WAYZETTA, SHELL, SPRING COULEE, UNORG 155-94, UNORG 154-94, UNORG 153-93, NORTHERN PARTS OF UNORG 152-93, OSBORN, VAN HOOK, PARSHALL, MODEL & PLAZA

- *TOWNSHIPS OF PLAZA, MOUNTRAIL, MODEL, BANNER, PARSHALL, FERTILE, VAN HOOK, LIBERTY, OSBORN, HOWIE, BIG BEND, UNORG 152-93, UNORG 150-93 & UNORG 150-92

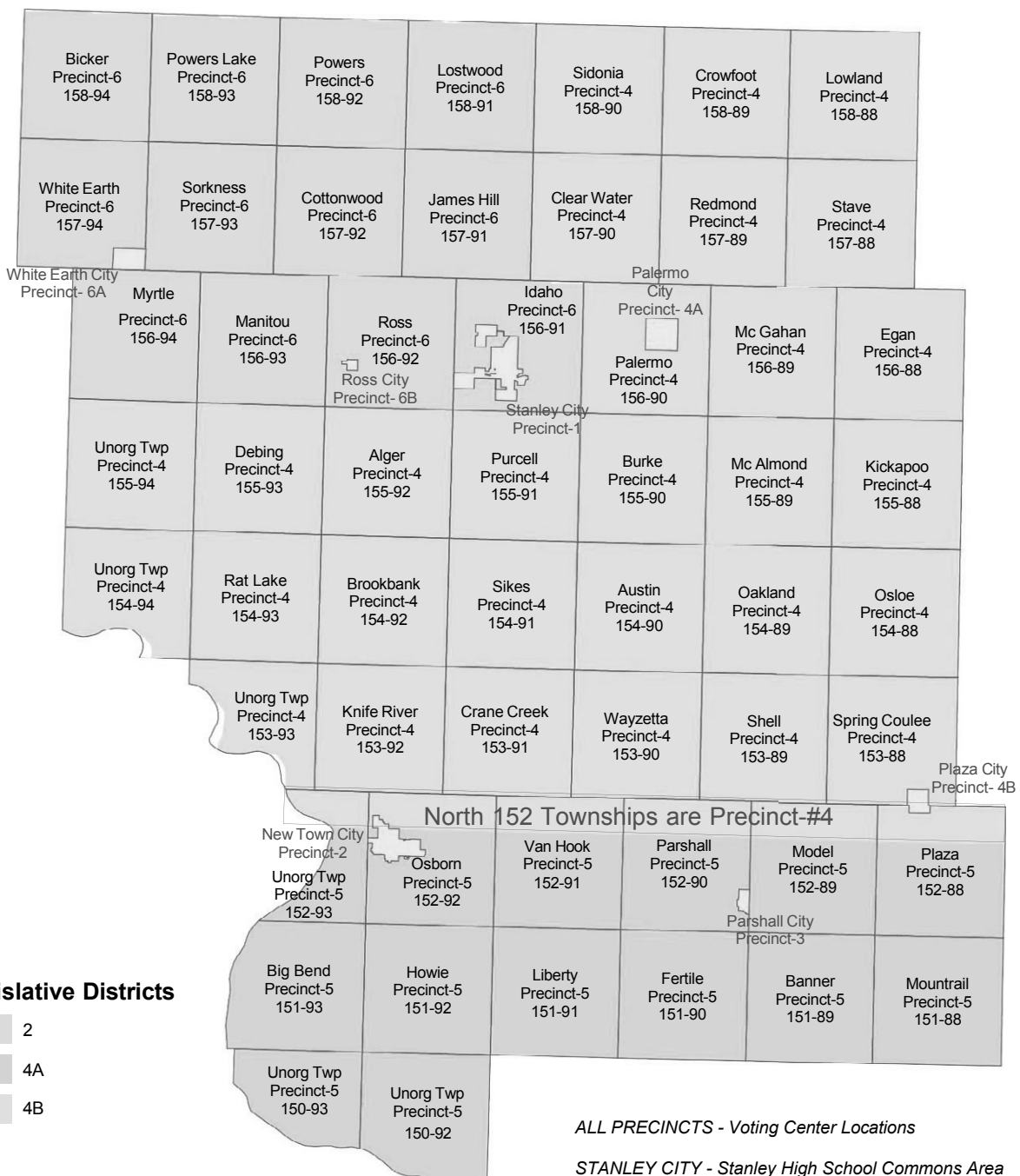
- *TOWNSHIPS OF BICKER, POWERS LAKE, POWERS, LOSTWOOD, WHITE EARTH, SORKNESS, COTTONWOOD, JAMES HILL, MYRTLE, MANITOU, ROSS & IDAHO

VOTING CENTERS

- STANLEY HIGH SCHOOL COMMONS AREA
NEW TOWN CITY
PARSHALL AMERICAN LEGION BLDG.
PALERMO CORPORATION BLDG.
ROSS COMMUNITY BUILDING
PLAZA MOUNTRAIL COUNTY R&B COMPLEX
WHITE EARTH CITY HALL
MOUNTRAIL COUNTY SOUTH COMPLEX

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Mountrail County Election Precincts and Voting Centers As of June 9, 2026



ALL PRECINCTS - Voting Center Locations
STANLEY CITY - Stanley High School Commons Area
NEW TOWN CITY - New Town 945 Eagle Dr Ste 105
PARSHALL CITY - American Legion Building
PALERMO CITY - Palermo City Hall
STANLEY - Mountrail County South Complex
PLAZA CITY - Mountrail County Plaza R&B Complex
ROSS CITY - Ross Community Building
WHITE EARTH CITY - White Earth City Hall

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA MOUNTRAIL COUNTY
CONSOLIDATED PRIMARY ELECTION BALLOT
PRIMARY ELECTION JUNE 9, 2026
ATTENTION! READ BEFORE VOTING POLITICAL PARTY BALLOT
In a Political Party Primary Election, you may only vote for the candidates of one political party. This ballot contains two political parties; one in each section. If you vote in more than one political party's section, your Political Party Ballot will be rejected; however, all votes on the No Party and Measures Ballots will still be counted.