



Richard Allen Mitchell, 75, of Belgrade passed away peacefully at his home on November 1, 2007

He was born in Thayer, Kansas on February 14, 1932 to Cecil Ray and Gladys Maude (Wheeler) Mitchell, and was raised in Washington.

Following school, he served in the U.S. Army.

Richard married Billie Karen Gardner on October 5, 1968 in Las Vegas, Nevada. He worked as a heavy equipment operator until retiring.

He lived 35 years in Alaska before moving to Montana in 1998. He was an avid hunter and fisherman.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Lewis, Charles, Cecil, Daniel, and Clifford; and sisters, Alta and Helen.

Survivors include his wife Karen, daughters, Noell (Sam) Cloninger and Melanie Mitchell all of Belgrade, and Breanna Mitchell, of Kodiak, Alaska; son, Richard Mitchell of Valdez, Alaska; and seven grandchildren, Jacqueline, Ashley, Sammy, Wyatt, Jayce, Rayce, and Ariel. Also surviving are his sisters Fay Deal and Ray Wallace of California; brother, Howard (Joni) Mitchell of View, Washington; and sister-in-law, Martha Mitchell, Oregon.

Memorial Services will be held at 2 p.m. Monday, November 5 at Belgrade Baptist Church. Arrangements are in the care of Dokken-Nelson Funeral Service.