



## Arlene Kalmbach

September 24, 1927 - October 26, 2008

Arlene Genevieve Kalmbach, 81, longtime Moses Lake resident, passed away Sunday, October 26, 2008 at her daughter's home in Kennewick. Memorial graveside service will be held at 11:30 a.m. Saturday, November 1, 2008 at the Ephrata Cemetery. Memorial services will follow at 1:00 p.m. at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Moses Lake with Pastor Robert Kenyan officiating. Arrangements are in care of Kayser's Chapel & Crematory, Moses Lake. You may sign the guestbook or leave a note for the family at [www.kayserschapel.com](http://www.kayserschapel.com) Viewing will take place at Kayser's Chapel of Memories on Thursday, October 30 from noon until 7:00 p.m. and Friday morning from 8:00 a.m. until noon.

Arlene was born on September 24, 1927 on a farm near Northgate, Saskatchewan, Canada to the late Anna Josephine Mellom & Goodman Joakim Norwick. She was baptized on November 6, 1927 at Kopperud Lutheran Church and was later confirmed by Pastor Wesley Anderson in Northgate, North Dakota. Arlene was raised and educated in North Dakota graduating from Kenmare High School in 1945. She attended Business College in Minot, North Dakota.

On September 1, 1946 she married Herbert Harland Kalmbach at the Nazarene Church in Kenmare, North Dakota. The couple moved to Washington State in 1952.

Arlene worked as a secretary at Grant Elementary School in Ephrata, Washington from 1959 until 1969. They moved to Colville, Washington where

she worked for the Kettle Falls School District until 1973. They moved back to the Columbia Basin and made Moses Lake their home. She started a new job at Big Bend Community College in the purchasing department for a few short months then was offered the position of Secretary to the Vocational Education Director. In 1987 she retired after 21 years with Washington State Education. Mr. Kalmbach passed away September 19, 1986.

Arlene was an active member of the Immanuel Lutheran Church and served in the ILCW, Bible Study and Caring Hearts organizations. In earlier years she served as a Sunday School Teacher at Trinity Lutheran Church in Ephrata. She was also active in TOPS and Sons of Norway.

She enjoyed square dancing, clogging, and oil painting.

Arlene is survived by her son Steven (Kelly) Kalmbach of Kennewick, WA; 2 daughters Sheri (Bob) Adkinson of Kennewick, WA and Kim (Stephen) Graddon of Federal Way, WA; 9 grandchildren, Joel & Jason (Courtney) Dirks, Tony (Crystal) and Morgan Kalmbach, Matt (Becky) McGregor, Kari (Phil) Kauffman, Stephen, Joseph and Adrienne Graddon; 4 great-grandchildren, Emma McGregor, Lily Kalmbach, Isaac and Grace Kauffman; a brother, Milo (Barbara) Norwick of Custer, South Dakota; 2 sisters, Lillian (Neal) Lucke and Nona (Evald) Sielaff-Leaf all of Moses Lake; and many cousins, nieces and nephews.

Besides her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by her brothers, Lyle & Don Norwick and a grandson, Michael Kalmbach.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT 30. 12:00 PM - 7:00 PM (PT)

Kayser's Chapel of Memories  
831 S. Pioneer Way  
Moses Lake, WA

## Visitation

OCT 31. 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM (PT)

Kayser's Chapel of Memories  
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Moses Lake, WA

## Service

NOV 1. 11:30 AM.

Graveside

## Service

NOV 1. 1:00 PM (PT)

Immanuel Lutheran Church  
1020 S. A Street  
Moses Lake, WA

# Tribute Wall



“ I want you all to know that I am so sorry to hear about your Mother. I wish I could have been there. Mom said it was very nice and it was good to see all the "kids". I know it has been years since we have all been together. I want you all to know that I have some wonderful memories and I will cherish them always. My Love to you all and you are in my prayers :) Candy and Family##imported-begin##Candise Pulice##imported-end##

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November 04, 2008 at 01:15 PM



“ We both want to extend to all of your our deepest sympathy. We have known Arlene for many years, and enjoyed every minute that we were with her. Arlene will be missed by all that knew and loved her.

David and Pat Ledbetter##imported-begin##David & Pat Ledbetter##imported-end##

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November 01, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ So sorry to hear about your loss. Your mother was a great lady!##imported-begin##Vicki Fosback##imported-end##

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October 30, 2008 at 08:44 PM



“ Hi Nona, sorry to hear of Arlene's passing. I enjoyed square dancing and clogging with her. She was a wonderful person. Love Marge##imported-begin##Marge Schoessler##imported-end##

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October 30, 2008 at 12:34 PM



“ I didn't get the chance to meet Arlene personally. As I was working on a family geneology book and was tracing ancestry, I was referred to Arlene. On the first of what became many telephone conversations it was evident that she shared my passion for family history and its importance. She shared information with me and referred me to other family members which I will always be grateful for. My grandfather and her father were cousins and immigrated to the US from Norway when they were teenagers. My prayers are with her and all those who mourn her loss. Even in my breif contact with her I could sence her love of family and life. May she rest in peace.##imported-begin##Tammy Wollschlager...South Dakota##imported-end##

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October 30, 2008 at 08:05 AM



“ We are so sorry to hear of Arlene's passing. She was an inspiration to the people at TOPS and always had a warm smile on her face. Tuesday mornings won't be the same. Our thoughts and prayers for Nona and the rest of her family.

Beth and Jenni Lee##imported-begin##Beth and Jenni Lee##imported-end##

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October 30, 2008 at 03:25 AM



“ I was very sorry to see Arlene passed away. She was my next door neighbor for quite a few years, opposite side of Mitchells. I really enjoyed knowing her.

Sharon Clark##imported-begin##Sharon Clark##imported-end##

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October 29, 2008 at 09:37 PM



“ I was saddened to read about Arlene's passing. I will always remember her as a smiling, upbeat person who loved the Lord and everyone around her. I especially enjoyed watching her and the other "Grannies" clogging. I will miss her. My sincere condolences to the family.

*Dawn Viebrock*

*Wartburg Theological Seminary*

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October 29, 2008 at 08:52 PM