**Church of God Memorial:  
Richard Nickels**

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GILLETTE, Wyoming -- Richard Nickels, 58, founder of the popular [Giving & Sharing](http://www.giveshare.org/) non-profit bookstore, died peacefully on June 4, 2006 with his wife Shirley by his side. Richard was diagnosed with adrenal cancer in March 2006.

Richard was born on June 10, 1947 in Portland, Oregon and was a graduate of Linfield College (B.A., 1969, Summa Cum Laude). He became a *World Tomorrow*broadcast listener in 1961, was baptized in 1969, and was employed by the Worldwide Church of God from 1971-1973 in festival site construction and Church Administration. At the time of his passing, Richard worked for a major coal mining company as an accountant and computer consultant.

  
*Richard and Shirley Nickels  
25th Wedding Anniversary Photo (1997)*

Richard wrote numerous articles and books after starting Giving & Sharing in 1978. These included *History of the Seventh Day Church of God*, *Six Papers on the History of the Church of God*, *Biblical Holy Days*, *Biblical Law*, *Biblical Health and Healing*, *Biblical Marriage and Family* and many more. He served as President of the Bible Sabbath Association from 1996-1999 and 2004-2006.

Richard is survived by his wife Shirley of Gillette, Wyoming, and daughters Barbara Parada of Houston, Texas, Rachel Nickels of Everett, Washington, and Amanda Byrd of Eugene, Oregon.