

Avalanche injuries kill Roberts boy

Seven-year-old Paul Nutting, one of two Roberts boys buried in a snow avalanche Feb. 12 while they were sledding on a steep hill, died Thursday.

Paul was buried for about 45 minutes. A doctor said his injuries were from suffocation, causing a lengthy loss of oxygen to the brain.

The kindergartner was hospitalized for almost nine days after the accident on a hill near town. Family and friends prayed for a miracle, but his condition never changed from critical. He died shortly after noon Thursday in



Family and friends of Paul Nutting, 7, prayed for his recovery.

Billings Deaconess Hospital.

Rescuers were able to find Steve Anders, 9, about 20 minutes after the avalanche. Steve suffered minor injuries.

A third boy, Paul's brother, Bryant Nutting, 9, was standing on the top of the hill and wasn't caught in the slide. He went for help in Roberts.