Nuno Oliveira writes:

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Well, I confess I use PICKFILE, too. :-)

But only from the IDL command line when I am in
a hurry. When it counts, I use DIALOG_PICKFILE,
and so should you. PICKFILE is no longer supported
by RSI.

But to do what you want to do, I think you are going
to have to write your own file opening tool. I've
thought about it myself, but it just seems like too
much work. My SELECTIMAGE routine is about as close
as I ever got, but I still go back to DIALOG_PICKFILE
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XYOUTS.

Cheers,

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Hi Nuno,

Try using Help,/Source to see where your compiled programs come from.
In the case of Pickfile, Help,/source shows :-

Compiled Functions:
PICKFILE   C:\RSI\IDL60\lib\obsolete\pickfile.pro

Note the *obsolete* directory under RSI's main library of IDL routines.

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