Leon Higgins, age 62, of Lamar, passed away at 9:32 a.m. Sunday, October 7, 2007, at St. John's Regional Medical Center in Joplin.

Leon was born December 4, 1944 in Hominy, Oklahoma to Jay C. and Pauline (Butler) Higgins. Leon was raised by his mother and step-father, Pauline & Jim Calhoun, living in the Sylvania community for six years and graduating from Lockwood High School in 1963. On October 5, 1963, Leon married Rose Seay in Lamar where they made their home for the past 44 years. He worked for the Missouri State Highway Department for 30 years, retiring in 2001. Leon was a member of First Christian Church of Lamar and the Lamar Elks Lodge.

Survivors include his wife of 44 years, Rose, of the home; a daughter and son-in-law, Sonia & Mike Resa, and grandsons, Kelty Resa and Colby Resa, all of Lamar; two brothers, Carl Higgins, Cleveland, Oklahoma, Earl & wife, Sharon Higgins, Diamond, Missouri; a sister, Shirley & husband, Doyle Lawrence, Lamar; two step-sisters, Joyce Coyne, Lawrenceville, Georgia, and Connie Collier, Bartlesville, Oklahoma. He was preceded in death by his father, mother, step-father, and a step-brother, James W. Calhoun.

IN MEMORY OF Leon Higgins

December 4, 1944 - October 7, 2007

FUNERAL SERVICE

11:00 a.m. Wednesday October 10, 2007 Daniel Funeral Home

OFFICIATING

Rob Wilson, Minister

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

Song Medley
"One Day At A Time"
Mike Gage, Vocalist
Jacque Gage, Pianist
"When We All Get To Heaven"
Congregational Hymn

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Dan Payne Frank Bell Joe Purinton Bill Cackley Karen Reno DD Duncan Fleeter Marti Bub Curless Bob Medlin Barney Burnett Bill Gaither Jack Noll Wayne Griffitt J.D. Pahlow

"When We All Get To Heaven"

Sing the wondrous love of Jesus; sing his mercy and his grace. In the mansions bright and blessed he'll prepare for us a place.

Chorus:

When we all get to heaven, what a day of rejoicing that will be! When we all see Jesus, we'll sing and shout the victory!

APPRECIATION

On behalf of Leon's family, we wish to express their gratitude for your many kindnesses evidenced in thought and deed, and for your attendance at the funeral service.

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