

Steven Loren Mitts. Sr., age 58, of Milo, MO, died Thursday September 16, 2010, at Freeman Hospital West, Joplin, after a sudden illness.

Steven was born October 4, 1951 in Nevada, Missouri, to Willie F. and Ruth (Howell) Mitts and was raised by Willie and Vera (Burdick) Mitts. He graduated from Lamar High School in 1969 and was a life-long resident of Vernon County. On November 21, 1978, at Hattiesburg, Mississippi, he married Ruby Elaine Williams and they enjoyed nearly 33 years together. He was a member of Milo Baptist Church where he was baptized. Steven worked as an assistant produce manager for Harter House, retiring in 2009. An avid outdoorsman, Steven loved camping and hunting. His greatest joy came from spending time with his family and friends, playing cards or the simple pleasure of good fellowship and conversation.

Survivors include his wife, Elaine of the home; five sons and their wives, Timothy A. Mitts & Robyn of Lamar, Steven Jr. & Michelle Mitts of Joplin, Bill Jr. & Lisa Householder of Stockton, MO, Jack E. & Monica Householder of Bronaugh, MO and Troy & Jennifer Householder of Nevada, MO; two daughters, Tonya A. Dickerson and her husband Carey, of Sparta, MO, and Missy M. Stansill, of Bronaugh, MO. Additional survivors include the brothers-in-law, Doug, Eddie, Kevin, Ronnie and Danny Williams, the one he called "his Bro"; three sisters, Georgia L. Carr and Bonnie S. Hobson, both of Lamar; and Karen Smith, of Nevada; 29 grand children and many great grandchildren.

#### IN MEMORY OF

**Steven L. Mitts Sr.**

October 4, 1951 ~ September 16, 2010

#### FUNERAL SERVICE

2:00 p.m. Sunday September 19, 2010  
Daniel Funeral Home

#### OFFICIATING

Bro. Jim Davis

#### MINISTRY OF MUSIC

"I'll Fly Away"  
"I Can Only Imagine"  
"Amazing Grace"

#### PALLBEARERS

Troy Householder ~ Jack Householder  
Timothy Mitts ~ Steven Mitts Jr.  
Danny Williams ~ Carey Dickerson

#### HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Deven Dickerson ~ Devon Householder

#### AT REST

Memory Gardens Cemetery

#### APPRECIATION

On behalf of Steven'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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