

John William Stockdale, age 59, of rural Sheldon, Missouri, passed away unexpectedly Friday, March 6, 2009 at his home.

John was born July 23, 1949, in Lamar, to Lester "Ot" and Armilda (Elrod) Stockdale. A life-long Barton County resident, John attended Grange Country School and graduated from Sheldon High School in 1967. On August 22, 1970, at Dudenville, Missouri, he married Marilyn Clyman and they ran a livestock operation in Barton County all their married lives. In addition to raising livestock, John joined the Missouri National Guard, serving from 1970 to 1976. Committed to his community as well as his family and his farm, John was elected as a Barton County Commissioner in 1982, began his 26 years of service in 1983, and was still working tirelessly to improve the quality of life for all Barton County residents. He was a member of the Missouri Association of Counties, the National Association of Counties, Economic Security Council, Missouri County Commissioners Association, Barton County Chamber, and the Lamar DownTown Association. John was an active member of Sheldon Christian Church where he served as a deacon.

Survivors include his wife, Marilyn, of the home; his son and fiancé, Jason Stockdale of Oranogo and Whitney Burrow of Webb City; a brother Truman & wife Elaine. Stockdale, Corinth, Mississippi; two sisters, Sharon Stockdale, Madera, California, and Eloise & husband William Dwyer, Mountain Home, Arkansas; his mother-in-law, Phyllis Clyman and brother-in-law, David & wife Glenda Clyman, all of Nevada, Missouri; and a large extended family. John was preceded in death by his parents; his father-in-law, Oscar Clyman; and a half-brother, Darvin Stockdale.

IN MEMORY OF

John Stockdale

July 23, 1949 ~ March 6, 2009

FUNERAL SERVICE

2:00 p.m. Monday, March 9, 2009
First Christian Church, Lamar, Missouri

OFFICIATING

Andrew Kirschner and Daniel Koch

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

"Victory In Jesus" Congregational Hymn
Selected Hymn - Sheldon Christian Church Friends

PALLBEARERS

Jason Stockdale ~ Kerry Fowler ~ Larry Fowler
John Schiltz ~ Jim Schiltz ~ Paul Sprengle

HONORARY BEARERS

Mike Davis ~ Gary Frieden ~ Doug Haile ~ Gerry Miller
George Nichols ~ Danny Hensley ~ Bonnie McCord ~ Jim Honey

AT REST

Dudenville Cemetery

Military Honors Conducted by Missouri National Guard

On behalf of John'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.

APPRECIATION



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