

# Obituary

## Stewart L. Metz, 69



Stewart Lionel Metz, 69, of Blackfoot, passed away Saturday, April 16, 2011 at his home.

He was born January 12, 1942 in Lake Charles, Louisiana. He was reared by two wonderful parents, Vernon and Ruth Metz. He had one brother, Bill Metz (Becky) and two sisters Sharon Minor (Durr) and Connie Jurischk (Ed).

He loved his grandparents, Jack and Allie Stewart. After graduation from Beaumont High School he went to live with his grandparents and helped his grandfather (Jack Stewart) on his rice farm in DeRidder, Louisiana. His grandfather was to give him the farm but Stewart chose to join the Army instead. At his new duty station, Dugway Proving Ground, he met the love of his life, Dolores Salazar. They married on July 11, 1964 at St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church in Layton, Utah. They had three children: Shane (Jennifer), Tom (Candy) and Anna (Dennis). They have seven grandchildren: Katelyn Metz, Allie Metz, Chrissie Metz, Jessica Metz, Elysia James, Race James, Geno Thomas and a great granddaughter Alissa Swanson. There wasn't anything he would not have done for his family and grandchildren. Each of their children were born in a different state due to his construction trade as a Boilermaker Mechanic. His work took him all over the Western United States. His family loved traveling. However when they moved to Blackfoot for him to work at the INL Site for Newport News Shipbuilders, he had his family stay home in Blackfoot and he traveled to the various jobs by himself.

Stewart had a love for life and lived it to the fullest. He skydived, was in the Army (1963-1966), worked for the Police and Sheriff's Department in Beaumont, Texas and retired as a Boilermaker Mechanic from Local 182. After retiring from construction, he worked at Independent Drilling in Riverside. He loved motorcycles and his 12-Step A A Program.

Besides the wonderful support of our family members, neighbors and friends we would like to thank Father Reginald of St. Bernard's and the wonderful community of Blackfoot.

The family will meet with friends and family from 6 to 8 p.m. Monday, April 25, 2011 at Hawker Funeral Home. Funeral mass will be held at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, April 26, 2011 at St. Bernard's Catholic Church. Interment will be at 4:00 p.m. in the Grove City Cemetery with military rites presented by the American Legion Stewart Hoover Post #23.