

In Loving Memory

Dennis Dean Bedford, 55, died 1/29/2014 in his home by natural causes.

Born 12-8-1957 in Clayton, NM to Bill & Corrine (Arellano) Bedford. He was the grandson of Jesus & Escolastica (Gonzales) Arellano of Clayton, New Mexico and Archie Lee & Roxie Bedford of Desoto, KS.

He had been a single resident of Liberal and surrounding area for (48) years on / off. He is survived by (4) brothers, Eldon Bedford Sr. w/wife Kathy of Oklahoma City, Ok; Curtis Bedford of 29 Palms, California; Leslie Bedford w/wife Donna, Augusta, Ks.; MonDel Anthony of Ft. Worth, Tx; (5) sisters, Linda Barboza w/husband Fidel of Liberal; Penni Guerrero of Ft. Worth, Tx.; Jeanette Castillo of Liberal; Kathy Bedford of Liberal; Sheila R. Duran w/husband Eligio of Liberal; (23) nieces and nephews and many great nieces and nephews.

Dennis attended the Liberal School District starting the third grade at McDermott. He attended South Jr. High and was part of the class of 1975 at Liberal High before receiving his GED.

As a young man, Dennis mowed lawns, delivered donuts for the Spudnut Shop, delivered newspapers, made /delivered pizza and was a dishwasher in several area restaurants.

Upon receiving his GED, Dennis became a Vietnam Era veteran where he served in the U.S. Army 1975-1976. Receiving an honorable discharge in 1976 for his short tour of military service, he became a roughneck in the oilfield industry. He worked both open / cased holes and setting up of the tank batteries. He was a fence builder and an all-round handyman, fixing things that were broken, a "jack of all trades but a master of none" until his death this past week.

Dennis' hobbies included camping, fishing, reading (often going to the library), finding what

treasures were out there with a metal detector, playing cards, playing pool. He loved life. His traveling took him to 35 states in his journeys, either on his own or with friends (because they needed the company). He loved family and was always there for them (to include his friends), in their time of need. He had a great ear to listen, because he loved people and he always gave good advice. He loved his nieces and nephews and shared many stories of the family with them as well as his humor. He had a smile equivalent to his mothers smile.

Dennis never married but was loved by many, he will be dearly missed.

He was preceded in death by his parents, brother Cody Bedford and niece Rachael M. Duran.

- Rosary will be at 6 p.m. Friday February 7 at St. Anthony Catholic Church in Liberal with the Father Jim Dieker presiding.

Funeral service will be at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, February 8 at St. Anthony Catholic Church with the Father Jim Dieker presiding.

Burial will be at Restlawn Cemetery in Liberal.

Memorials are suggested to The Stepping Stone Shelter in care of Jessica Bonsall at 2141 Tulip Lane, Liberal, Ks. 67901.

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