Melton Kemp(1948-2010)



DENISON - Melton Ronald Handy Kemp, 61, entered into eternal life Thursday, Sept. 9, 2010 at Texoma Medical Center.

Mr. Kemp was born Oct. 17, 1948 in Denison, the son of Lawrence and Bernice (Handy) Kemp. Melton married the love of his life, Carol Ballard, July 22, 1989 in Denison, Texas. He served his country proudly as a sergeant in U.S. Marines during the Vietnam War. Melton worked for Boyd Smith and White Funeral Home for 35 years and was a communication officer for 25 years with Sherman Police Department. Melton was a loving husband, father, brother and friend. He will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved him.

Mr. Kemp is survived by his beloved family: wife, Carol Kemp of Denison; sons, Brandon Kemp of Denison and Courtney Moore of Sherman; stepsons, Dwight Owens of Garland, and Gary Owens and wife Joy of Sherman;

stepdaughters, Lisa McNealy and husband Victor of Sherman and Leslie Blanton and husband Brian of Whitewright; 14 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren; twin brother, Delta Kemp and wife Christine of Sherman; brother, Thomas Kemp of Denison; sisters, Brenda Springfield and husband Cornelius of Sherman, Jo Etta Moudine of Denison, Carolyn Watson of Denison and Alicia Kemp of Denison; a host of aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews and special friends, the Johnson family. Melton was preceded in death by his parents, Lawrence and Bernice Kemp; grandmother, Patience Handy; and sister, Pat Kemp. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, Sept. 17, 2010 at New Hope Christian Church Fellowship with Rev. Larry Goodman officiating. Interment will follow with Military and Masonic Honors at Cedarlawn Memorial Park in Sherman. Family visitation will be held from 6 -8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 16, 2010 at Fisher Funeral Home.

Pallbearers will Sherman Police Honor Guard.

Condolences may be registered online at www.fisherfh.com.

Arrangements are under the direction of Fisher Funeral Home, located at 604 W. Main in Denison.

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