



Dean Boyd

October 2, 1947 - January 25, 2009

Services for Clayton Dean Boyd, 61, of Tyler will be held on Thursday, January 29, 2009 at 2:00 PM in the chapel of Stewart Family Funeral Home with Rev. Linda Owens officiating. Private burial will be at Kendrick Cemetery under the direction of Stewart Family Funeral Home. Mr. Boyd passed away on January 25, 2009 at his home in Tyler. He was born on October 2, 1947 in Tyler to the late Ray and Thelma Boyd. He was a 1966 graduate of Robert E. Lee High School. After graduation, he was drafted into the United States Army and served in the Vietnam War. During his service, Dean was awarded the National Defense Service Medal, the Vietnam Service Medal with two bronze service stars, the Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal, the Purple Heart, the Sharpshooter Rifle Medal and the Expert M-60 Medal. After his discharge, he had a 35-year career as a truck driver, working for Southland Corporation, Groendyke Transportation, and Buckley's Transportation. He also served as a reserve officer with the Smith County Sheriff. Mr. Boyd is survived by a loving family including his wife of 17 years, Jo Ann Boyd of Tyler; two sons, Brad Boyd of Lindale and David Hick of Norfolk, Virginia; two daughters, Tammi McAdams of Lindale and Melissa Taylor and husband Nick of Tyler; five granddaughters, Courtney Smith, Kayla Boyd, Kristian Boyd, Britney Boyd, and Erica Boyd; brother, Glen Boyd and wife Brenda of Livingston; and sister, Catherine Graham of Cleveland. Pallbearers will be Brad Boyd, David Hicks, Nick Taylor, Michael Matney, Scott Underwood, Dave Brunelle and Denver Nixon. Honorary pallbearers will be Johnny Beddingfield, Lance Brown, Bob

Jones and Thurman Murray. Visitation is scheduled for Wednesday, January 28, 2009 from 6:00-8:00 PM at Stewart Family Funeral Home, 7525 Old Jacksonville Highway, in Tyler. Memorials in honor of Clayton Dean Boyd may be made to Hospice of East Texas, 4111 University Blvd., Tyler, Texas 75701.

Tribute Wall

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“ Remember the good times, God bless

Don & Lottie Summers - January 25, 2009 at 12:00 AM

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“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Please let Brad and Tammy know that we are thinking of them and that we are sorry that we could not be there for the services.

Tom & Lisa Mize - January 25, 2009 at 12:00 AM

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“ Dean was always one of those relatives that had a smile on his face every time you saw him. His parents, Thelma and Ray, helped raise my dad John (Thelma's younger brother) and gave my Dad alot of good memories. My father always felt a closeness to Ray and Thelma, and always had a special place in his heart for Dean and the rest of the Boyd family.

I was always grateful that Dean cared so much about my father. Dean checked on my dad throughout my father's 26 year battle with cancer, and my Dad was always so happy when Dean called to check on him.

God bless ya'll in this difficult time.

Greg Gilleland - January 25, 2009 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Jo Ann,
We are so sorry for your loss and will remember our times with Dean at the DOG. He was always so pleasant to be with and kept such a wonderful attitude. We will always think of Dean when we eat a sweet potato dish! We are glad that we have had an opportunity to have you and Dean in our lives.*

Eddy & Julia Shannon - January 25, 2009 at 12:00 AM

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“ *We always had a lot of fun with Dean and Tammy at the horse shows. He was such a wonderful guy. Sorry that we lost contact thru the years. He is a man that will be greatly missed by all.*

Walter & Jill Williams - January 25, 2009 at 12:00 AM