

Dean L. Adams



Dean L. Adams of Goodyear, Ariz., died Aug. 7 at age 66. A family memorial service will be held later.

He was born Aug. 6, 1943, in Portland to Verne and Jeanne Sergeant Adams.

He married Linda Gorman on April 17, 1981, in Twin Falls, Idaho.

He graduated from South Eugene High School and the University of Oregon.

He served two years in the U.S. Navy and worked 29 years for the U.S. Postal Service.

Survivors include his wife; sons Lance of Goodyear and Troy of Boise; sisters Kathie Adams--Nelson of Maui, Hawaii, and Lisa Blue of North Potomac, Md.; a brother, Patrick of Palos Verdes, Calif.; and four grandchildren.

Arrangements by Crystal Rose Funeral Home in Tolleson, Ariz.

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Dean Lewis Adams died August 7, 2009. He was born August 6, 1943 in Portland, Oregon. His parents were Dr. Verne L. and Jeanne S. Adams. Myrtle Creek, Oregon was home for the first three years. On his third birthday the family moved to Eugene, Oregon. Dean attended school in Eugene and graduated from South Eugene High School in 1961. During these years, Dean enjoyed many great memories from Boy Scout activities to the many sports in which he participated. Two highlights were attending the 1957 National Boy Scout Jamboree at Valley Forge and being a member of the SEHS State Championship Swimming Team. Growing up Dean had a great younger sister, Kathie. After his parents divorced, Verne remarried and Dean now had a stepsister, Karen Lynne, and a stepbrother, Jim, half brother, Patrick, and a half sister, Lisa.

After high school, Dean spent time in the US Navy and returned to Eugene to attend the U of Oregon and work. He worked in the service station business at first; then took a training position with Household Finance. Dean married Gloria while in Eugene; then accepted a work transfer to Boise, Idaho. Leaving HFC, Dean began work with Sears in Twin Falls, Idaho. In the mid 70's, Dean and Gloria divorced. Dean left Sears for his final career with the U.S. Postal Service.

Shortly after starting with the Postal Service, Dean met Linda and her sons, Lance and Troy, and life changed. Dean thought as though both boys were his and adopted them. From these days, many, many wonderful memories were created. Retiring in April 2006, Dean and Linda saw the fruits of their labor commence. Having purchased a home in Goodyear, Arizona, Dean and Linda were able to spend their winters with Lance, Irene, Michael and Isabella. Summers would find them back in Twin Falls, Idaho, to spend time with Troy, Jennifer, Alex and Gabriel.

There will be a family memorial on the Oregon coast at a later date. Please give any donations to the organization of your choice that supports our youth.