In Memory

Samuel M. Heard

Born August 24, 1948 Shenandoah, Iowa

Entered Into Rest October 21, 2006 Shenandoah, Iowa

Age 58 years, 1 Month, 27 Days

Life Celebration 1:30 P.M. Friday, October 27, 2006 Rose Hill Cemetery Shenandoah, Iowa

Military Rites
American Legion Post #88
Shenandoah, Iowa



Samuel M. Heard

Samuel McKinley Heard, age 58, the son of Coy L. and Eva L. (Brown) Heard was born August 24, 1948 in Shenandoah, Iowa, and passed away October 21, 2006, at his home in Shenandoah.

Growing up in Shenandoah Sam was raised by his grandparents, Lilly and Bill Brown. While in school he enjoyed playing high school football and basketball and was known to be a great athlete. He graduated from Shenandoah High School in 1968. In 1969 Sam enlisted into the United States Army being attached to the Red Bull Division. He eventually made it his career. He served his country in Vietnam, Germany and later was in charge of the National Guard Armory in Shenandoah. He served with distinction and honor receiving many medals and certificates of accomplishments.

On November 24, 1973, Sam was united in marriage to Jeane Haner. They were married for ten years. For a short time, while not in the Army, Sam worked for Behlen Manufacturing and Farmers Coop. He was a good dancer and enjoyed sports being an avid Iowa Hawkeye fan. At one time he played softball in the Shenandoah men's league. Sam often listened to music of the 60s and 70s. Each spring he could be seen planting his garden. Almost everyday he would feed the area birds, cats and other wildlife. He was a kind man and often helped others in need, especially veterans.

Sam was a member of the Veterans of Foreign War, Disabled American Veterans, past member of American Veterans (AMVETS), Eagles Club #3849, 3rd Squadron 5th US Cavalry Association of Vietnam Vets and American Legion Post #88.

Preceding Sam in death were his parents; brother Coy Heard, Jr.; sister, Cindy Heard; and stepfather, Red Miller.

Survivors include his brother, Marty Miller and wife, Janet, of Shenandoah; sisters; Shari Hardisty of Shenandoah and Linda Stucky and husband, Brian, of Tea South, Dakota; aunts, Velesta Reavis and husband, Maurice, Deanie Whitehill, and Betty Hoxie and husband, Maurice, all from Shenandoah. Also surviving is a step mother, Margaret Heard from Yankton, South Dakota; plus other relatives and friends.

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