

Darrell Keith “Mac” McKinnis

February 15, 1946 - July 16, 2006



Darrell Keith “Mac” McKinnis, 60, died Sunday July 16, 2006 at his home in Lawton, Oklahoma. Funeral for McKinnis will be at 2 p.m. Thursday at Lawton Ritter Gray Funeral Home Chapel with Gerald Green, ODVA chaplain, Lawton/Fort Sill, officiating.

He was born February 15, 1946, in Evansville, Ind., to John F. Sr. and Phyllis Barrows McKinnis. He grew up in Evansville, where he attended local schools and graduated from North High School in 1965. He joined the Army in 1965, serving two tours in Vietnam with 101st Airborne Special Forces Division until 1969. From 1971-74, he served in the Army National Guard. He later rejoined the Army as a drill sergeant at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, and retired in 1983. He married Mary Carol Fry on May 18, 1976 in

Wichita Falls, Texas. He was the coordinator of Lawton/Fort Sill Bass Anglers “Just Bassin” and the director of Cobra/Charger Bass League. He was a member of the Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 751.

Survivors include his wife, of the home; a son and daughter-in-law, Clay and Jamie Steward, Wayne, Mich.; four daughters and two sons-in-law: Shannia Ford and her partner Jared Johnsgard, LaToyia and Matthew Marsh, and A’Lisia McKinnis and her partner, Chris, all of Lawton; and T’Aira and Nathaniel Blankenship, Plant City, Fla.; a brother and sister-in-law, John F. McKinnis Jr. and Rhonda, Lafayette., Ind.; a sister and her husband, Beverly and Don Mangold, Evansville, Ind.; five grandsons; and five granddaughters. He was preceded in death by his parents.

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