



Robert R. Samler Sr.

January 30, 1939 - August 15, 2011

Robert 'Sam' was born January 30, 1939 in Yoncalla, OR, the son of the late Charles L. Carrier and Marcella Hardwick. At age two, he was adopted by Oscar Samler. Robert grew up in Park, NE where he graduated from Park High School. He then attended Waverly College in Waverly, IA, graduating with a A.A. degree. Robert entered the US Army in Feb. 1960. He was stationed in Germany until his honorable discharge in Nov. 1962. Robert was united in marriage to Donna Lee Rasmussen on June 18, 1960. The couple had four children, Robert Jr. Robine, Jeff and Greg Samler. They lived in California from 1962-1974, the year Donna Lee passed away. Robert was united in marriage to DeNae A. Sanders on August 30, 1975 in St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Stillwater, MN. The couple moved to Randall, MN in 1976 and had two children, Tonya and Matthew. Sam was employed at Camp Ripley, MN as a Federal Civilian Technician for 23 years until retiring in 1999. After retiring, the couple sold their Randall home and traveled extensively in the US until settling in Casa Grande, AZ in 2004. While living in CA, Sam took up stock car racing which began a life long hobby of following the NASCAR circuit. He also enjoyed hunting, fishing and helping anyone he could. You couldn't keep the farm out of the farm boy, as he helped in trucking the potato and cotton harvest up to this year in Arizona and New Mexico. His greatest enjoyment was spending time with his family.

Robert 'Sam' Samler Sr. is survived by his wife, DeNae; sons, Robert 'Kim' Samler Jr. of Randall, MN; Jeff 'Lynn' Samler of Fort Ripley, MN; Greg Samler

of Sartell, MN and Matthew 'Nicole' Samler of Kodak, TN; daughters, Robine Mayer of Little Falls, MN and Tonya 'Kelly' Maciej of Elmdale, MN; nine grandchildren, Josh, Cody & Tyler Samler; Amanda Zimmerman, Rick Mayer, Shawna Samler, Ashley Maharas, Grace and Allie Maciej; seven great grandchildren, Alexis, Sophie and Gisele Samler, Caleb Zimmerman, Carter Mayer, Jayden May and Mackenzie Maharas; brother, David Samler of Benkelman, NE and a sister, Beth Sherlock of FL.

Robert was preceded in death by his parents.

Honorary casketbearer will be Larry Runyan and the casketbearers will be the grandchildren.

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 18. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

LeMieur Funeral Home of Little Falls
214 2nd Street SE
Little Falls, MN

Visitation

AUG 19. 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM (CT)

St. Peter's Lutheran Church - Randall
121 East 6th Street
Randall, MN

Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Lemieur Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Robert R. Samler Sr.*



Lemieur Funeral Homes - August 15, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *Robert R. Samler Sr.*

January 21, 2023 at 11:59 AM



“ *To the Samler family,*

I am so saddened as I just found about the passing of Sammy. I was his commander in the National Guard at Milaca. He was my friend and the best First Sgt anyone could hope. I wish I knew sooner. I think of him often and will miss him. God bless you all.

CPT Jeff Scribner, Ret.##imported-begin##Jeff Scribner##imported-end##

November 22, 2011 at 03:28 PM



“ Dear DeNae and family:

It has been many years since we have talked to you. We talked to Sharon Larson and were so sorry to hear of Sam's death. Just wish to extend our sympathies to all of you.##imported-begin##Loren & Jane Kleinschmidt##imported-end##

August 19, 2011 at 12:25 PM



“ *I watched the video and it was wonderful,He was a proud MAN to have a wonderful Family,He lived life to the fullest and will be Miss greatly.But his joy isnt over yet just a new ROAD he will be taking.GOD BLESS EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU##imported-begin##KAREN KUCHINSKI##imported-end##*

August 19, 2011 at 11:42 AM



“ *JR, Sorry for your loss!##imported-begin##Chris Harakel##imported-end##*

August 19, 2011 at 10:31 AM



“ *I am at a loss for words other than that my heart goes out to you all. I pray for peace that supercedes all understanding. I know mostly of Matthew, and the character within him can only be a reflection of the up bringing of a wonderful family. I love you all and pray that one day we will all understand why.*

Take care.##imported-begin##Scott Self##imported-end##

August 19, 2011 at 12:49 AM



“ DaNae, Gene and I thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. We only spent a short time together but will never forget the Nascar race that we went to and the good time Sam and you showed us. Your being neighbors to my Mom and Dad we always asked about Sam and you and thought about both of you often. Sam was a wonderful person and will be missed but now he is no longer suffering.##imported-begin##Lydia & Gene Vossen##imported-end##

August 18, 2011 at 10:31 PM



“ Tonya and Matthew, I am sorry to hear about the loss of your father. I am sure he is in good hands and you and your family have fond memories of him. Take care!##imported-begin##Pamela 'Birr' Brisk##imported-end##

August 18, 2011 at 07:38 PM



“ Being Sammy's friend was an honor we will miss him! Our hearts are with you DeNae and your awesome family. I pray that he already has a new truck! We love you!##imported-begin##Steve and Julie Tiemann##imported-end##

August 17, 2011 at 11:25 PM



“ Where do I begin this is so hard; Sam will be missed so much by is Family in AZ!!! Our thoughts and prayers are with DaNae and the his Children. He was such a Great Man.##imported-begin##Yvonne, Harold, Joe and rest of the NASCAR Crew in AZ##imported-end##

August 17, 2011 at 11:18 PM



“ DeNae & Family,
You have our deepest sympathy and we will be praying for you. I enjoyed being around Bob at Camp Ripley and in the Minnesota National Guard. He was a great and friendly person.##imported-begin##Ken & Pat Burggraff##imported-end##

August 17, 2011 at 08:10 PM



“ Sorry to hear of Robert, God be with u all in our time of sorrow.##imported-begin##Russ Keppers##imported-end##

August 16, 2011 at 11:07 PM



“ Denae, Matt and family,
You have our deepest sympathy, our cruise together will now for sure be a very dear memory of spending it with all of you guys.##imported-begin##Robert, Debbie and Todd##imported-end##

August 16, 2011 at 11:02 PM



“ Sorry to hear about our Dad ROBIN, Wish U the Best.##imported-begin##Karen Kuchinski##imported-end##

August 16, 2011 at 03:36 PM



“ Sorry to hear .BUT U R IN GOOD HANDS NOW##imported-begin##Karen Kuchinski##imported-end##

August 16, 2011 at 03:29 PM



“ God bless you all.##imported-begin##Uncle Bill##imported-end##

August 16, 2011 at 02:32 PM



“ It is an honor being friends with Bob. He will be missed by a lot of people. We will never forget his smile and jokes. He will always be remembered.##imported-begin##Yvonne Zappa##imported-end##

August 16, 2011 at 01:56 PM