

Barry Cushing, 70

Sept. 28, 1941 - Aug. 6, 2012

BOISE, ID — Barry Charles Cushing, 70, beloved husband, father, grandfather, and friend passed away on August 6, 2012 from ALS (Lou Gehrig's Disease) in Meridian, ID.

Barry was born on September 28, 1941 to Darlene Eckel and Clarence Charles Cushing in Shelby where he grew up. He was educated in Shelby schools and graduated from Shelby High School in 1959. After high school, Barry attended Iowa State University where he received a Bachelors degree in Forestry. He was also a member of the bowling team that won the Big 8 championship.

Barry also enlisted in the U.S. Army where he served at Fort Leonardwood. While going to college, Barry worked the summers for the Forest Service in places like Wirt, MN and Baker, OR.

While in Baker, Barry met the love of his life, Carol Dougherty. They married April 25, 1966. Shortly after, Barry was hired by the Bureau of Land Management. This gave him and his family the opportunity to live in Oregon, Utah, Colorado, Arizona, and Idaho where he made lasting friendships with so many. In 1990, Barry and Carol moved to Boise, ID where Barry retired in 1994. He made the most of his retirement by playing golf, bowling, fishing, hunting, camping, and traveling with Carol. He also enjoyed playing bridge at the Senior Center and playing any card game with his family. His greatest enjoyment, however, came from spending time with his family and friends. Barry had an infectious laugh and was a friend to everyone. He was an example to all who knew him. He was charismatic, humble, and kind and will be dearly missed. Barry faced ALS like everything else in his life, courageously. He got up every day when many people would have given in.

Barry is survived by his wife, Carol; three children: Karen Cushing, Harper, OR, Drew (Carin) Cushing, Taylorsville, UT, and Clay (Alyse) Cushing, Salem, UT; seven grandchildren: Shelby, Madison, Danielle, Nicole, Jacob, Stone, and Charlie. He is also survived by his sister, Judy (George) Huckins, Kansas City, MO.

Though he will be missed dearly, he will live forever in our hearts and in our treasured memories of him. The Cushing family would like to extend special thanks to University of Utah ALS clinic (Dr. Bromberg & staff), Horizon Hospice & staff, and especially Dr. Whitesell for being a great friend and support.

Services will be at 1 p.m. Satur-



day, August 11, 2012 at Summers Funeral Home, 3629 East Ustick Rd., Meridian, ID 83642. In lieu of flowers please send donations to the University of Utah ALS clinic.

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