

Gary J. Hanson, 64

July 9, 1938 - Oct. 1, 2002

CENTENNIAL, CO – Gary James Hanson, son of Selma "Sadie" (Vithen) and Leo Franklin Hanson, was born July 9, 1938, in Harlan. He attended school in Harlan and was a member of the Harlan High School graduating class of 1956. Following graduation, he worked as bookkeeper for Scroggins Implement Dealership in Harlan until 1962.

Aug. 14, 1960, he married Karen Havner in Corydon. To this union one son, Gregg, was born. After his marriage, he moved to California where he was employed at various car dealerships. In the mid 1970's, he moved to the Denver area and worked for

a Cadillac dealer. During this time, Gary purchased an Exxon Gas Station in the Denver vicinity. He was the owner-operator of this station until selling it in 1987, and moving to Phoenix, AZ. Returning to Denver in 1997, he made his home with his brother, Kenneth, and worked for Brakes Plus. Following a lengthy illness, Gary died Oct. 1, 2002, at Littleton Hospital in Littleton, CO, at age 64 years, two months and 22 days.

He was preceded in death by his father, Leo Hanson. He is survived by his son, Gregg Hanson, and his fiancée, Amy Barreras of Lone Tree, CO; his mother, Selma "Sadie" Hanson of Harlan; brother, Kenneth Hanson (Joanne "Jody") of Centennial, CO; nieces and nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Oct. 7, 2002, at Pauley Funeral Home with the Revs. Jon Benson and Heather Ploen officiating. Burial was in the Harlan Cemetery with Gene West, Merlyn Knudsen, Roger Rust, Warren Poldberg, Jeff Arthur and Lyle Poldberg casket bearers.

