

Donald R. Burgin | 1947-2016

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Donald R. Burgin, 68, of Bridgeport, died suddenly Friday, May 6, 2016, while vacationing in Gunnison, Colo.

Memorial service is 2 p.m. Saturday, May 14, at Jones Family Funeral Home in Bridgeport.

Don was born May 31, 1947, in Gladewater to S.H. and Frances (Pugh) Burgin. He married Virginia Martinez Jan. 30, 1970.

He was a Bridgeport High School graduate, Class of 1965, and a graduate of UT Arlington with a bachelor's degree.

Don proudly served in the United States Marine Corps from 1966 to 1969 and went to Vietnam.

He was employed at Chico Crushed Stone, LaFarge and owned the car washes in Bridgeport for 30 years.

Don was one of the original organizers of the Wise County Toy Run and was actively involved for the first 10 years. He considered Colorado his second home. He enjoyed the scenery, looking for wildlife, fly fishing, jeeping and the campfires at night.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and sister Kathy Potteiger. Don is survived by his wife of 46 years, Virginia Burgin of Bridgeport; son Michael Burgin and fianc e, Nichole Broussard, of Youngsville, La.; daughter Rachel Sims and husband, Terrell, of La Vernia; and grandchildren Shelby Burgin, Mason Sims, Reed Burgin and Marshall Sims. Donations may be made to the Bridgeport Public Library or the charity of your choice.