

Clarence "Sonny" Edwin Shearer, 72



Clarence "Sonny" Edwin Shearer, 72, died at his home in Montezuma on Tuesday, May 27, 2008. Sonny's final request was to be cremated. A memorial gathering was held Saturday, May 31 at the

Memorial Hall building in Montezuma. Holland-Coble Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

Clarence Edwin Shearer was born on April 6, 1936, the son of Marcus and Pauline Gass Shearer in Montezuma. He attended Montezuma High School and during his senior year he enlisted into the US Marine Corp. As a Sergeant, Sonny served his country with three tours of duty during the Korean conflict. His first tour occurred in Honshu, Japan, he then served in Korea and his final tour took place in Okinawa. After his honorable discharge in 1961 Sonny returned to Montezuma and started Shearer Plumbing and Heating.

On May 27, 1978 he was united in marriage to Phyllis Thacker. Then in

1980 Sonny and Phyllis sold their business and moved to Texas where the two resided for 22 years. In 2002 Sonny and his wife moved back to Montezuma to play an active role in the lives of his grandchildren.

Clarence was a member of the Masonic Lodge and the VFW. He enjoyed playing golf, cooking, collecting racing decals, Dodge/Mopar racing and good conversation with a friend and a cold Bud. Sonny felt a great deal of pride toward his grandchildren and family and always looked forward to spending time with them.

His family includes his wife Phyllis, of 30 years; son, JR (Kara) Shearer of Montezuma; three daughters; Paula (Rande) Henkle of Montezuma, Shelly (Curtis) Seymour of Tama, Cheryl (DJ) Jaramillo of San Antonio, Texas; brother, John "Pete" Jordan of Montezuma; three sisters all of Montezuma, Jean Ann Shearer, Carol "Jo" Poe, and Patty (Artie) Craver. Sonny was also blessed with 11 grandchildren and four great grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Memorials may be made to the family.

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