Thomas Robert Buck

Thomas Robert Buck, age 67, of Richmond, Texas, passed away suddenly in an accident on August 19, 2015.

He was born on December 2, 1947, in Grinnell, Iowa, to Harold and Alta Buck. Tom began his education in a one-room country school and graduated from Grinnell-Newburg High School in 1966. He attended Luther College on a wrestling scholarship, making the varsity squad as a freshman.

Tom served in the United States Army, 173rd Airborne Brigade. He was honorably discharged in 1969 after a tour of duty in Vietnam. Tom was a Purple Heart recipient.

He spent most of his career as a Union Boilermaker, initially with the National Transit Division and finishing as a member of the Local 74 in Houston. He taught welding in the apprentice program for the Union and served on the Local Executive Board. He was a long-term superintendent for Alstom. After retiring Tom drove a bus for the Lamar Consolidated Independent School District.

Tom had many talents showcased by his hobbies. He enjoyed handson activities like woodcarving, gardening, and landscaping. He especially loved working on and riding motorcycles. Tom took every opportunity to ride his Harley Davidson motorcycles, creating great memories and many friendships along the way. His memory will forever remain in the hearts of his family and friends.

He is preceded in death by Harold Buck and Alta (Ryan) Buck. He is survived by his wife, Marcia (Dicke) Buck; daughters, Nikole Buck, Tina (Buck) Wright, Leandra Buck, and son Eli Buck; grandchildren, Falken Wright, Adrienne Wright, Bronwyn Wright, Nikolas Buck, Jessica Buck, and Brook Lynn Buck. He is survived by brothers, Al Buck, Ed (Debbie) Buck, Jim (Linda) Buck, Fred (Julie) Buck, and sister Kathryn (Mike) Stark.

The family will receive guests from 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m., Thursday, September 3, 2015, in the Chapel of Davis-Greenlawn Funeral Home in Rosenberg.

A memorial service will be held at 10:00 a.m., Friday, September 4, 2015 in the Chapel of Davis-Greenlawn Funeral Home in Rosenberg. Interment, with military honors, will be held at 1:15 p.m. that afternoon at Houston National Cemetery in Houston, Texas.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made in Thomas' name to the charity of your choice.

Tributes and words of condolence may be left for the family at www.davissgreenlawnfh.com.

Arrangements are under the direction of Davis-Greenlawn Funeral Home, 3900 B.F. Terry Blvd., Rosenberg, Texas 77471, Phone: 281-341-8800.