



James William Barber, Sr.

January 19, 1951 - October 17, 2011

James William Barber, Sr., 60, died Monday, Oct. 17, 2011, at his residence in Thermopolis.

Born Jan. 19, 1951, in Norman Park, Ga., James was one of nine children born to Willie Watt and Nelsie Lee (Staples) Barber. He attended school in Norman Park. Until a back injury, he was a backhoe operator for Water, Gas and Light in Albany, Ga.

On March 26, 1975, he married Bonnie Louise Blizzard. To be closer to their daughter, the couple moved in 2005 from Georgia to Thermopolis.

Always willing to help, even though in pain, he would give a person the shirt off his back or his last dollar. He was a blessing to his family. James enjoyed his grandchildren, fishing and driving through the mountains. He did miss the Georgia trees and a good thunderstorm.

Survivors include his wife, of Thermopolis; sons, James, Jr. and Jamie of Albany, Ga., daughter, Michele Tippetts of Thermopolis; eight grandchildren; brothers, Gene, William, Jerry and Daniel of Lenox, Ga., and Billy of Atlanta, Ga.; sisters, Myrtle Taylor of Tifton, Ga., and Joyce Baldree of Sparks, Ga.

James was preceded in death by his parents and brother, Alfred.

Cremation has taken place. To assist with expenses, a memorial has been established. Send contributions c/o Michele Tippetts, 438 Ryan, Thermopolis, WY 82443.

Mortimore Funeral Home assisted with arrangements.

