

Tony Gene Smith

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Tony Gene Smith, 64, of Worland died Monday, Oct. 31, with his wife and daughter by his side, after fighting a courageous battle with cancer.

He was born in Warsaw, Ind., to Fredrick Eugene and Betty "Becky" (Lossa) M. Smith. Tony graduated from Cody High School in 1966 and joined the Marine Corps that same year. He was a member of the VFW and American Legion.

Tony retired from Zimmer, USA in Warsaw after 20 years of service. He and his wife Sue opened Red Horse Bait and Sport Shop in Warsaw and ran the business for 13 years before moving to Worland in 2002 to fulfill their dream of coming home. While in Worland, Tony worked at Butch's Place for a short time.

Riding motorcycles on sunny days always brought joy to his life. Moving from Indiana to the Gooseberry in Worland, most would think culture shock. However, Tony valued the quietness.

Tony is survived by his wife; daughter, Tauna Jean (Matt) Thiel of Worland; two grandchildren; two step-grandchildren; brothers, Tim (Phyllis) Smith and Don (Sharon) Smith, both of Warsaw; and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

A burial service was held in Worland at Riverview Memorial Gardens for family members.

A celebration of life was held Wednesday, Nov. 2 at Butch's Place. In lieu of flowers, make donations in Tony's name to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital in care of Bryant Funeral Home, P.O. Box 524, Worland, WY 82401. Online condolences may be made at www.bryantfuneralhomeonline.com. Bryant Funeral Home assisted the family with the arrangements.

