

Merlyn Gaer, 63

Jan. 10, 1948 - Nov. 20, 2011

NIXA, MO — Merlyn Ray Gaer, 63, of Nixa MO, died in his home November 20, 2011. Merle was born in Harlan January 10, 1948 to Howard and Elaine (Andresen) Gaer. He attended school in Irwin and graduated from Irwin High School. Merle proudly served his country in Vietnam and was honorably discharged in 1974. He then reenlisted and served several more years.

Merle was united in marriage to Charlotte Tunning in Ankeny and had 2 children.

In addition to his parents, Merle was preceded in death by his sister Kira Gaer; and his brother Dale Gaer.

He is survived by his wife Charlotte and his children Jennifer Wallis and husband Lloyd, of Clever, MO; Travis Gaer, of Clever, MO; and step children Teresa Goodson and husband Bob, of Billings, MO; Robert Tunning and wife Liz, of Clever, MO and 6 grandchildren, and 1 great grandchild; his sisters Carolyn and husband Gregg Schneider of Omaha, NE, Glenda and husband Todd Sliger, of Council Bluffs; nieces, and nephews; other relatives and many friends. Burial of the cremains will be in the Missouri Veterans Cemetery at Lake Springfield, Springfield, MO.

