

Jimmie L. Funell

Jimmie L. Funell was born October 20, 1943, at Sturgis, SD, to Oscar and Sylvia (Heaton) Funell. He was raised on the family ranch and graduated from Sturgis High School. Following his honorable service as a jet mechanic in the Navy, Jimmie returned home. He was a dirt track racing thrill seeker. He could be found at Black Hills Speedway on Friday night, Gillette on Saturday, and sometimes Huron or anywhere there was a race. Jimmie owned and operated Fast Lane Fabrications and later established Alleycat Engineering Inc. in Rapid City where he continued his life long focus of building and fabricating fast race cars.

On July 14, 2010 he married Cheri Mercy Johnson at Reno, Nevada.

Jimmie would like to be remembered for his faith in God and Country; and perhaps a little racing.

Jimmie, 67, Rapid City, died Sunday, June 26, 2011, at his residence in Rapid City.

Survivors include his wife, Cheri Funell, Rapid City; son, Michael Funell, Lead; daughter, Michelle (Michael) Qualls, Billings, MT; step-son, Darwin (Connie) Hellekson, Phillip, SD; sister, Beverly (Pat) Urbaniak, Sturgis; and numerous grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one brother, John Funell; previous wife, Deanna; and his beloved dog, Jack.

In Loving Memory Of



Jimmie Funell

1943 ~ 2011

*The family invites everyone to a time of fellowship and lunch in the Erskine Room in the church basement following the interment service.
We thank you for your presence and condolences.*



He'll Always Be Remembered

*He'll always be remembered
As a man, both strong and good,
Who gave his best for others
And who did the best he could.
He'll always be remembered
For all the joy he brought,
As a man who made a difference
And a man who meant a lot.*

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Born

October 20, 1943
Sturgis, South Dakota

Died

June 26, 2011
Rapid City, South Dakota

Funeral Service

Wednesday, June 29, 2011, at 2:00 p.m.
First Presbyterian Church

Officiating

Rev. Denzel Nonhof
Pastor Harold Delbridge

Accompanist

Roxie Chowen

Soloist

Carrie Lange

Special Music

"In The Garden"

Pallbearers

Michael Funell ~ Chase Funell ~ Michael Qualls
Danny Mercy ~ Darwin Hellekson ~ Dane Hellekson

Honorary Pallbearers

All Other Friends, Neighbors,
Motor Heads, and Drivers

Military Honors

Sturgis Veteran's Honor Guard

Interment

Black Hills National Cemetery