



Updegraff, Thomas,

July 24, 2008

Updegraff, Thomas "Tom", Sr., age 63 of Sixth St., McMechen, WV died unexpectedly Thursday, June 24, 2008 at Ohio Valley Medical Center, Wheeling, WV.

He was born August 31, 1944 in Glen Dale, WV the son of the late James B. and Elsie V. Wilkerson Updegraff.

He was a Vietnam Army Veteran; a retired coal miner from Consolidated Coal Shoemaker Mine; the former owner/operator of Lag Lil' Bear Trucking Company; and a member of the United Mine Workers.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his 1st wife, Linda L. Hartley Updegraff; two brothers, William "Bill" and James G. Updegraff; a sister, Naomi "Omi" Kimble; and a son, Ronald Updegraff.

Survivors include his wife of 41 years, Linda George Updegraff; two sons, Thomas, Jr. "Tom" (Cindy) Updegraff of Cameron, WV, and Timothy Updegraff of Wheeling; a daughter, Jessica Updegraff (Roger) of Columbus, OH; daughter-in-law, Charlene Benesh of Ohio; two sisters, Mary (Bob) Coffield and Elsie "Tiny" Muldrew, both of Moundsville; several grandchildren including, Thomas, III "Tom" (Gina) Updegraff, Brienna Updegraff, and Malachi Benesh; a great-granddaughter, Elaine Updegraff; several nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews including special great-nieces Alanta and Riley Updegraff; numerous special relatives and friends from Stulls Run; and his special buddy and companion, Bear.

Family will receive friends on Friday from 7-9pm and Saturday from 10am until

time of funeral service at 12 noon at Grisell Funeral Home & Crematory, 400 Jefferson Avenue, Moundsville with Pastor Debra Dague officiating.

Private interment will be held at the convenience of the family