



## Michael Jason Dunn

April 27, 1947 - October 2, 2014

Michael Jason Dunn passed away at his home in Yreka, California, on October 2, 2014. He had recently experienced some challenging health problems, but his passing was unexpected.

Michael was born April 27, 1947, in Detroit, Michigan, the third child of Marie Babette Dunn and William David Dunn. Soon after, the family moved to Tucson, Arizona, where Michael attended Sacred Heart School and Salpointe High School. He married Margaret McFarland in 1972 and lived in the Tucson area, where both of their families lived. Their daughter, Amber, was born February 16, 1974. Mike and Margaret eventually went their separate ways, but remained life-long friends. With his mother, sister and brother all living in Yreka, Michael soon followed. He and his mother enjoyed a compatible, happy relationship, and they shared a home until Marie's passing in 2002. It was his good fortune to have a close family structure, enjoying the companionship of his mother and sister on a daily basis, as well as the friendship and support of his brother, who moved from Yreka to the Medford area in 1994.

Michael learned woodworking and carpentry skills early on, working with his dad, and later branching out on his own. He had a keen mechanical ability and an avid interest in cars and trucks, following the Barrett-Jackson Classic Car Auctions in Phoenix, Arizona, faithfully. He loved to go camping when he

could, always thinking about 'hitting the road'. Mike read a lot: science fiction, Scientific American, National Geographic, but especially mysteries. He enjoyed vegetable and flower gardening, the night sky with his telescope, the library book sales and country western music. However, the wood shop was his special joy, where he built nesting boxes and bird feeders for his feathered friends. His wit was quick and his manner mild. He kept his own counsel, but loved his family dearly.

He is survived by his daughter, Amber (Dunn) Schlatter, her husband, James and grandsons Henry and Copeland of West Hartford, Connecticut; Amber's mother, Margaret McFarland of Tucson; his sister and brother-in-law, Natalie and Michael Newton of Yreka; niece, Bridgid (Sloyan) Campbell and her husband, Dan; his sister-in-law, Gwen Dunn, of Medford; niece Jaime (Dunn) Versteeg; nephews Benjamin Dunn and Gabe Dunn as well as two grand-nieces and two grand-nephews. He also leaves his roommate, Tom, the cat and good friend, John Howard. He was pre-deceased by his father and mother and his brother, William L. Dunn, who died in 2013.

There will be a graveside service for Michael on Thursday, October 9, 2014 at 11:00 am in the Evergreen Cemetery in Yreka. A luncheon reception will follow the services at the home of Mike and Natalie Newton, 419 Oakwood Lane, Yreka. Memorial contributions may be made to Rescue Ranch, Inc., P.O. Box 1192, Yreka, CA 96097, or a charity of your choice.

# Cemetery Details

## Evergreen Cemetery

Top of Evergreen Lane  
Yreka, CA 96097

# Previous Events

## Graveside Service

OCT 9. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (PT)

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Top of Evergreen Lane  
Yreka, CA 96097

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Having visited Mike at his home, I saw his many skills and enjoyed his personal peaceful space. He had the best sister anyone could ask for! Rest in Peace Mike.*

*Ann O'Neill*

Ann O'Neill - October 11, 2014 at 08:25 AM



“ *Secret Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Michael Jason Dunn.*



October 08, 2014 at 09:40 AM

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“ *Loved to visit when in town. So enjoyed watching the birds in your yard and your cat stalking them even though I never saw him catch anything. My heart is with you Natalie.*

duane Strain - October 08, 2014 at 09:22 AM



“ *1 file added to the album Memories Album*



Girdner Funeral Chapel - October 06, 2014 at 11:53 AM



“ *After nearly thirty years of daily visits & friendship, you will be a hard habit to break. Sweet dreams, Michael! With love from your big sis*

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**Natalie Newton** - October 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM