



Mark Lewis Parquette

October 20, 1954 - May 29, 2012

Mark Lewis Parquette, 57, of Tucson, AZ, formerly of Butler, PA went to be with his heavenly father on Tuesday, May 29, 2012 at his home surrounded by those who loved him the best, his wife, children, grandchildren and puppies.

He was born October 20, 1954 in Mercer, PA, the son of Frederick L. Parquette of Grove City and the late Betty (Robinson) Jablonski.

Mark was a veteran of the U.S. Army serving during the Vietnam Era. He was retired after 21 years with ABF Trucking and then went on to pursue his life long dream of being owner/operator for Legacy Trucking under R.E. Barnett. He also worked at the Lewisburg PA Federal Penitentiary as a correction officer. He enjoyed spending time with his wife of 35 1/2 years as well as his children and grandchildren, taking his three dogs to the dog park, riding his motorcycle, playing golf and tennis and hunting and fishing. Mark was an long-time Steeler fan as well as an avid Nascar fan.

Surviving him along with his father are his wife, Patricia A. (Barnett) Parquette whom he married December 25, 1976; 3 daughters, Christina I. (Jeff) Leshner of Selinsgrove, PA, Denise M. (Larry) Bidwell of Loysville, PA and Nanci E. (Bill) Orris of Tucson, AZ; a son, Brian W. Hanford of Tucson, AZ; 12 grandchildren; and a sister, Marjorie L. Parquette of Butler.

He was preceded in death by his mother, step-father, Louis Jablonski, a sister, Bonnie L. Parquette and a grandson, Marcus A. Hanford.

Friends will be received at Young Funeral Home, Ltd., 127 W. Jefferson St., Butler, on Friday, June 1, 2012 from 2-4 & 6-8PM and on Saturday, June 2nd from 10-11AM. Military honors at the funeral home at 6PM by VFW#249 and American Legion #778.

Services will be held at the funeral home on Saturday, June 2, 2012 at 11AM with Rev. Larry J. Bidwell officiating.

Interment in the Butler County Memorial Park.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation, 4560 E. Broadway Blvd., Tucson, AZ 85711 or St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Pl., Memphis, TN 38105.

Tribute Wall



“ *Daddy,*

Words are never enough to express your love for someone. I miss you so much! I wish for just a moment I can bring you back. This isn't how it was supposed to go. You were to grow old and see your grandbabies get married and have great grandbabies. I need you still. When I look at this picture it seems like just yesterday. It seems like you should be here still. I can't believe tomorrow is a week since you have been gone. It hurts to breathe. It hurts to live! I hope you felt the love from everyone. I ask that you watch over us and protect us daily!!!

Love your daughter,

Denise! :-) for you poppa I will try to smile.##imported-begin##Denise##imported-end##

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“ *I had the best father anyone could ask for. You never gave up on me and that means the world to me. I am so heart broken and I know I will never be the same but I will do my best to continue to make you proud. I know you will always be with me where ever I am.*

Love always

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