



Dennis Dale Bland

March 11, 1949 - June 17, 2013

Dennis Dale Bland, 64, died Monday, June 17, 2013 at Richards Memorial Hospital in Rockdale, Texas. He was born March 11, 1949 in Bentonville, Arkansas to Dorman Arthur and Ruth Vaughan Bland. He was preceded in death by his father Dorman Bland and a brother, Michael Bland. Dennis graduated from Russellville High School in 1967 and Arkansas Polytechnic College in 1971. He was a retired Shift Foreman with Texas Utilities / Luminant Energy, retiring in 2005 after 27 years of service. He was an avid collector of baseball memorabilia and Spanish colonial artifacts. He enjoyed fishing in Canada and model trains. He was an outdoorsman and a faithful Arkansas Razorback and Texas Longhorn fan. Survivors include his spouse, Dora DeLeon Casas of Rockdale; Children, Pedro Casas and wife Sharon of Port Lavaca, Jessie Casas and wife Amy of Bryan, Rita Casas and fiancé Chris Wallace of Rockdale; His mother, Ruth Bland of Dardanelle, Arkansas; Six grandchildren, Christopher Casas and Makayla Mitchell of Rockdale, McKade and McKason Casas of Bryan, Ethan and Madilynn Casas of Port Lavaca; Sisters, Teresa Bland of Dardanelle, Arkansas, Lea Ann Woods and husband Jerry Don of Dardanelle, Arkansas; Sister-in-law, Mary Jean Bland of Jay, New York; Nieces, Nikki Sandlin and husband John and their children Jake and Rhett of London, Arkansas, Natalie Tarte and husband Christopher and their children Hattie, Sam and Gracie of San Antonio, Sarah Heil and husband Scott and their son Logan of Gloucester, Massachusetts and nephew Matthew Bland of Arlington, Virginia. Funeral services will be Thursday, June

20, 2013 at 4:00 p.m. at Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home Chapel in Rockdale with Pastor Barry Methvin officiating. Services in Arkansas will be conducted on Monday, June 24th, at 2:00 p.m. at Cornwell Funeral Home in Dardanelle, Arkansas. The family will receive visitors one hour before services at the Cornwell Funeral Home chapel. Burial will be at Rest Haven Cemetery in Russellville, Arkansas. Visitation in Rockdale will be Wednesday, June 19th, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Phillips & Luckey. Memorials may be made to Susan G. Koman, P.O. Box 650309, Dallas, Texas 75265-0309 or to a charity of the givers choice.

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Harry & Connie Schielack - June 23, 2013 at 07:03 PM

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Mike and Beckie Zelisko - June 21, 2013 at 04:26 PM

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Carol Ann Towery - June 21, 2013 at 03:26 PM

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Bethany Wallis Zawadzke - June 20, 2013 at 02:04 PM

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Laurie Platt - June 19, 2013 at 09:14 AM