

# Richard 'Andy' Earl Anderson

May 31, 1946 – May 29, 2012

A funeral service for Richard "Andy" Earl Anderson, 65, was held on Saturday, June 2, 2012 at the Covenant Lutheran Church in Wheatland, Wyoming with Pastor Joshua Bruns officiating. Interment was at the Wheatland Cemetery with military honors accorded by the Ora Call American Legion Post #10 and Laramie Peak VFW Post # 3558.

Andy died Tuesday, May 29, 2012 at the Platte County Memorial Hospital in Wheatland.

Andy was born May 31, 1946 in Neligh, Nebraska in his grandmother's house, the son of Virgil H. and Beulah Mae (Stahl) Anderson. As a child he was raised by numerous family members living in Nebraska, Indiana, and Connecticut with his brother Gene and sister Elmorna. In high school he moved to Chadron, Nebraska where he graduated in 1965. In January 1966 he was drafted into the United States Marine Corps where he served one year in Vietnam as a transport operator. Richard was always very proud of being a Marine. On June 8, 1966 he married Cindy Masek in Chadron, Nebraska. In March 1967 their first daughter Susan was born. Susan was born while he was still in Vietnam. After his military discharge they lived in Chadron where their second daughter Joni was born in October 1970. They moved to Alliance, Nebraska in April 1971 and Richard was a mechanic, then went into the meat cutting business working for Nash Finch in Alliance, Scottsbluff, Nebraska, Julesburg, Colorado and finally coming to Wheatland in 1979. While in Scottsbluff, Andy and Cindy had their third daughter Erin in January 1977. In 1981 Richard became employed by Basin Electric Power where he continued to work until he

retired in March 2008.

Andy enjoyed fishing, woodworking, making items for his children and grandchildren, and taking care of his yard. In his retirement his health limited his activities but liked to sit on the back porch and watch and feed the birds and squirrels. His greatest delight was his five grandsons and two granddaughters. He always supported his grandsons in their sporting events and activities and would play old maid, puzzles or whatever the granddaughters wished.



**Andy Anderson**

Andy is survived by his wife, Cindy of Wheatland; daughters, Susan (Mike) Zimmerman, Joni (John) Laney both from Wheatland, and Erin (Brian) Beavers of Powell, Wyoming; grandchildren, Quinn and Brandon Zimmerman, Samuel, Nathaniel and Sarah Laney all from Wheatland, and Andrew and Kaitlyn Beavers of Powell; brothers, Virgil (Lila) Anderson, Thomas Sheldon, and Mark Anderson; and sisters, Elmorna (Ross) Hansen and Beulah (Rene) Baker.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Serving as pallbearers were Terry Lubeck, Frank Huffer, Cameron Delgado, Roger Short, Gary Taylor, and Brian Matthews.

Memorials to the American Diabetes Foundation, P.O. Box 11454 Alexandria, Virginia 22312 or the American Heart Association, File 30947, P.O. Box 60000 San Francisco, California 94160 would be appreciated by the family.

The Gorman Funeral Homes – Platte Chapel of Wheatland is in charge of the arrangements.

Condolences may be sent to the family at [gormanfh.com](http://gormanfh.com).